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SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG

BREMER KIDNAPPING

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35-11 Leavitt Street
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Sept. 4 th 1935

Dept of Justice.
Washington D.C.

Re: Karpis.

Attention to Mr. Hoover.

I was in Saratoga Springs and stopped at the Greenland House 60 Franklin St. I met there a man who told me, and confirmed by Mrs. Wolf the landlady, that there was a tip to Karpis, by a man who had a concession in Reilly's gambling place out here, eight hours before the men came out, to try and arrest Karpis. *Aug. 29-1935.*

Sept 2 nd 3 30 PM Going home to New York, I saw a man, take the train going towards Montreal about 3 40 Standard Time and had Pullman # 25 he was with a thin dark hair young lady about 25 then Karpis and a little shorter, there was three other men with him, and a light platinum blond taller than Karpis, about 5 ft 10 and thin. You may be able to verify same with the porter as of Sept 2nd. This data is a likeness of Karpis, but you may check it up with the porter of this train.

The suspect Karpis had on a Blue suit with white stripes and grey, soft hat.

With data confirms with any of your reports, I'd gladly go out and help your men, and your Office.

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Very sincerely.

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Bernard Levy.

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Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases-
Fugitive, I.O. 1218; et al.
Edward George Bremer-Victim.
Kidnaping

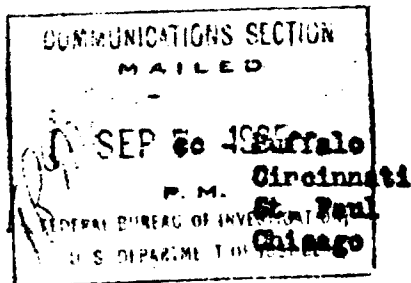
Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter dated September 4, 1935, from Bernard Levy, in which letter Mr. Levy indicates that Alvin Karpis was in Saratoga Springs, New York, recently and was "tipped off" before an alleged raid by Agents of this Bureau. The letter further indicates that the informant saw Karpis on a train bound for Montreal, having Pullman Accommodation No. 25 and that Karpis at this time was accompanied by a thin, dark-haired young lady about twenty-five years of age and that he was also accompanied by three other men and a light platinum blond woman who was a bit taller than Karpis.

The New York office is respectfully requested to immediately interview Bernard Levy at the National Detective Agency, 35-11 Leavitt Street, Flushing, New York. The Buffalo office is respectfully requested to make proper investigation at the Greenland House, 60 Franklin Street, Saratoga Springs, New York, concerning the "tip off" which was supposed to have been given Karpis by a man who had a concession in Reilly's gambling place.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.



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Mr. Bernard Levy,
National Detective Agency,
35-11 Leavitt Street,
Flushing, New York.

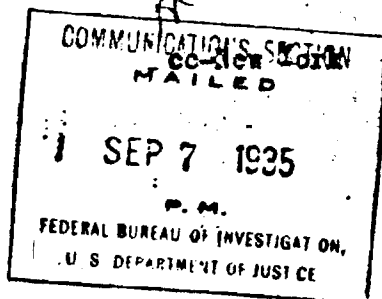
Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for your letter of September 4, 1935, in which you furnished information to the effect that Alvin Karpis was recently located in the vicinity of Saratoga Springs, New York, and that he was seen by you on September 2, 1935, taking a train to go toward Montreal.

Please be advised that the information contained in your letter has been brought to the attention of Mr. R. Whitley, Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 370 Lexington Avenue, Room 1403, New York City, who is being requested to have an Agent interview you with regard to this matter in the very near future.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.



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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE 9/3/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8-29-31-35	REPORT MADE BY B. F. Fitzsimons 7564
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218, FUGITIVE, et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Andrew Gurante bears only fair reputation at Miami, Florida, is considered shiftless; prone to exaggerate, although honest in his dealings. Photographs of subjects not identified by individuals indicated by Gurante and no information obtainable to indicate that subjects are or were registered at the George Washington Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida.

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REFERENCE: Report of Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, New York City, New York August 26, 1935.

DETAILS: AT MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Through inquiry of W. F. Scurry, Manager, Halcyon Hotel, Miami, Florida, it was ascertained that Andrew Gurante was registered at the Halcyon Hotel from September 1, 1934, to April 10, 1935, during which time he occupied room 223. Mr. Scurry stated that he is well acquainted with Gurante, having met him in 1932, when Gurante operated a cigar stand in the Halcyon Hotel. Mr. Scurry stated that although he does not consider Gurante dishonest, nevertheless he would not vouch for his veracity. He further stated that Gurante has attempted several ventures calculated by Gurante to make him rich, but none of which was ever successful. Mr. Scurry stated Gurante, during his last residence at the Halcyon, was apparently broke, but always managed to obtain sufficient funds to meet his hotel bills, not, however, without pressure having been put on him.

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Mr. Scurry stated that he had never observed Gurante to associate with undesirable characters around the Halcyon and that Gurante was seldom there except to sleep. He disclaimed knowledge of Gurante's source of income or his occupation while in Miami during the past season. Photographs of the subjects in this matter were exhibited to Mr. Scurry, who stated that he did not observe any one at the Halcyon who bore any resemblance to the photographs. It was not possible to exhibit the photographs to other employees who were there during the past season, since they are not now employed at the Halcyon and their whereabouts is unknown.

When questioned concerning the woman employed at the Halcyon during the past season as a salad maker, and to whom Gurante claims he talked relative to his dealings with Joe Adams, it was ascertained that one Mrs. Earl A. Smith was employed in that capacity. However, she left the hotel on April 1, 1935, and her whereabouts is unknown. Mr. Scurry stated that the salad woman left at the same time his chef, one Joe Cavalon left, and it is presumed she went with Cavalon, but no further information concerning their whereabouts was obtainable. Neither Cavalon nor Mrs. Smith is listed in the Miami city and telephone directories and they have not registered an address with the Post Office.

For the information of interested offices, and in connection with the unsigned statement of Gurante mentioned in the Report of Reference, it may be stated that Gurante, as above noted, was registered at the Halcyon Hotel, Miami, from September 1, 1934, to April 15, 1935. Apparently he was in Miami during the time Karpis and other members of the mob were there. It also appears that he was in Miami during the course of the extensive investigation conducted subsequent to the raid at Oklawaha, Florida, and when widespread publicity was given to the activities of the gang and their local connections at Miami. However, it does not appear that Gurante made any effort to volunteer the information concerning his dealings with Joe Adams to Agents at Miami who were engaged in that investigation. It is possible, of course, that Gurante knew nothing of the investigation under way at that time, yet it is quite unlikely since the local angles induced much publicity and particularly concerning Joe Adams and his alleged connections with the gang.

Richard Horn, Manager, Modern Appliance Company, 202 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables, Miami, Florida, stated that he first met Gurante about three years ago at Miami, through a casual meeting. Thereafter he saw him infrequently. However, he claims that during June, 1934, Gurante met him and stated that he had just come from New York where he had been living with his brother. He confessed that he was down and out; that he

needed employment and would work at anything. Horn claims that he offered Gurante employment as a refrigerator salesman, on commission, and Gurante accepted. He started to work on June 15, 1934, and worked until September 1, 1934, when he resigned. During his employment with the Modern Appliance Company, Gurante made no headway; his commissions were almost negligible and he was frequently borrowing money from other salesmen and employees. After he left the employ of the Modern Appliance Company, Mr. Horn stated that Gurante attempted to sell venetian blinds for some mail order house, but he met with no success in that venture and thereafter sold liquor, although Horn did not know the name of the firm by whom he was employed. In this last venture Horn stated that Gurante came to him about Christmas time and wanted to sell him a case of liquor. Horn agreed to purchase it, but when Gurante demanded cash payment in advance of delivery, Horn claims that he declined to deal with him inasmuch as he felt that once Gurante obtained the money the liquor would not be forthcoming. Horn stated that, although he does not consider that Gurante is dishonest, nevertheless he bears watching. He further stated that he believes Gurante has ability; that if he would settle down he could perhaps become successful, but since he is "inclined to be shiftless and has a weakness for women" he would not trust him to any great length.

Through inquiry of E. C. Backus, Backus' Corner, a bar located at 300 West Flagler Street, it was ascertained that he does not know Joe Adams, although the Backus Bar is located across the street from El Comodoro Hotel. Mr. Backus stated that, to his knowledge, Joe Adams has never been in his bar, but he could make no positive assertion in that respect inasmuch as he claims he does not know Adams even by sight. When shown the photographs of Sawyer, Harrison and McDonald, together with other suspects in this matter, Mr. Backus stated that he had never observed anyone at his bar who bore any resemblance to the photographs. The photographs were exhibited to the bartender at the Backus Bar with negative results. It may be stated that the Backus Bar is the only bar in the same block with El Comodoro Hotel and no doubt it is the one referred to by Gurante in his statement.

In connection with Gurante's statement that McDonald sent telegrams from the Western Union Branch Office, located in the McAllister Hotel, Miami, it may be stated that the extensive search made by the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies at Miami of all telegrams sent and received by members of the mob known to have been in Miami, included all telegrams irrespective of the office at which they might have been filed or received.

AT MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA: There is no Washington Hotel on Miami Beach, as indicated by Gurante. However, with the assistance of R. P. Murray, Clerk, George Washington Hotel, 516 Washington Avenue, registration records were thoroughly searched from August 1, 1934, to the present date, and there is no record of a registration of any of the subjects or suspects, under

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their true names or known aliases, during that period. Photographs were exhibited to Mr. Murray, who stated that he has not observed anyone at the hotel who bears a likeness to the photographs. He further stated that he has been employed by the George Washington Hotel for the past three years; that he is Chief Clerk and Bookkeeper; that he has custody of all records and most frequently personally meets all guests, but that he did not recall ever having observed anyone who resembles the photographs and descriptions of individuals sought in this matter. Mr. Murray stated that the present Night Clerk has been at the George Washington Hotel only three days, and that the former Night Clerk had been there but two months. The Night Clerk preceeding them, and who was on duty during the past season, left May 1, 1935, without advising of his destination.

It is further noted in Gurante's statement that he believes he saw Cassius McDonald at the race betting pools at the Roman Pools, Miami Beach. The Roman Pools at present is open only for swimming purposes; the shops and adjacent hotels are closed. The attendant at the Roman Pools stated that to his knowledge there has never been any open gambling at the Roman Pools; they do not maintain any betting facilities whatever. However, he stated that it is possible bets were accepted by individuals who were there under the pretext of bathing or watching the bathers, also that bets could have been accepted at any or all of the numerous hotels, bars, night clubs, restaurants, drug stores and brokerage offices located in the vicinity. The Roney-Plaza Hotel, one of the largest hotels in the country, is also located adjacent to the Roman Pools. Therefore, without more definite information as to the particular location in the vicinity of the Roman Pools, the possibility of substantiating Gurante's claim and of identifying Cassius McDonald is remote.

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Washington, D. C.

September 3, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

1:50 P.M.

Mr. Alt called from Florida. He said the Agents left at the Weaver house had as yet found nothing, but they are still continuing the search. They are endeavoring to make the search very thorough, searching not only the house, garage and premises, as they have done previously, but they have taken up the boarding in the house and Alt has purchased some irons for probing in the sand; that it will take a day or two more, but he will send the Agents back to their respective headquarters as soon as they finish. There are five outside Agents still down there.

Alt wanted to know what to do with the house, the chickens and the automobile, and I told him that we could assume that these were the private property of Weaver or the woman; that Connelley had just told me that a relative of the Eaton woman was coming down there to take it over; that if she arrived before the men were through she was not, of course, to go on the premises, but that thereafter they could turn the premises over to her, being sure that she represented either Weaver or the Eaton woman. The purchase of the automobile has not yet been checked, Alt said, nor has the purchase of the house, but he is functioning on the latter at once. He stated they are checking the banks and safe deposit boxes in the vicinity of Daytona Beach for the discovery of a possible safe deposit box in which further ransom money has been kept by Weaver and the Eaton woman.

Very truly yours,

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H. Nathan.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

1:40 P.M.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Connelley called from St. Paul and stated, with regard to the pending Bremer fugitive matter, that the female contact had gotten in touch with the male contact and stated that she would have to wait two weeks before making the primary contact as her principals were in Europe. Connelley and the contact felt this was a stall to throw everybody off guard; that the chances were that the contact would be made the latter part of this week or the first of next week, and that the woman is to go to some place in Indiana. Connelley said he is leaving immediately for Chicago by train and will be in Chicago tonight. He is leaving Sullivan and Suran at St. Paul with a view to getting possible further information from Weaver and the Eaton woman. Weaver and the Eaton woman are in the County Jail, incommunicado, and Weaver occupies Doc Barker's old cell. Connelley said arrangements have been made whereby a relative of the Eaton woman is to go to Florida to take over the chicken farm there, and that the two year old boy has also been placed in the custody of a relative of the Eaton woman.

Mr. Connelley stated the foregoing information had been transmitted to the Director.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

Connelley advised that Weaver has been held on \$100,000 bond and Myrtle Eaton has been held on \$15,000 bond.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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P. O. Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida,
September 3, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218,
FUGITIVE; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated August 30,
1935 (7-576), requesting advice as to the exact status of the
cases now pending in this district against the subjects in the
above entitled case.

Please be advised that at the present time indictments
are pending against Joseph H. Adams, Henry Randall, Cassius Mc-
Donald and Nathaniel Heller, charging them with harboring, and
conspiracy to harbor, Alvin Karpis. Indictments are also pend-
ing against Joseph H. Adams and Henry Randall for violation of
the National Fire Arms Act.

As was previously reported, pleas of Not Guilty have
been entered by all defendants, and the trial of these cases is
tentatively set to occur during the month of October, 1935, at
Miami, Florida.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
R. A. Alt

Special Agent in Charge.

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PROCEEDING CHICAGO THREE THIRTY PM CHICAGO NORTHWESTERN RAILROAD

THE FOUR HUNDRED IN SEAT SIX CAR TWO TOGETHER AGENTS

BROWN CASSIDY AND J M JONES WILL REGISTER ~~CASSEDY~~ GREAT

NORTHERN HOTEL ARRIVE CHICAGO TEN PM

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September 4, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Dallas, Texas.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake dated at Dallas, Texas, August 26, 1935 in which it is noted that one I. W. Maxwell appeared at the Dallas Office with the intention of giving information as to the location of Alvin Karpis and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang. The above mentioned report indicates that Maxwell was very vague in his statements, but in view of the fact that the Bureau feels there might possibly be some substance to the information furnished by Maxwell, the Dallas Office is requested to interview him thoroughly on the next occasion upon which he appears at the Dallas Office.

The above mentioned report indicates that Karpis stole from Maxwell \$3,327.00, but it fails to reflect the approximate date on which this theft occurred, and the place where it is alleged to have occurred. The report also reflects that a former woman companion of Maxwell is now associating with Karpis, and is said to have taken an apartment in the same apartment building in which Karpis resided. It is desired that the name of the town in which this apartment is located be ascertained on the next interview with Maxwell.

The report further shows that Maxwell first met Karpis in Kansas City, Missouri in about 1930 after he, Maxwell, was released after serving a two year term for carrying concealed weapons. It is desired that information be secured from Maxwell as to the identity of the person in which he served this sentence.

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The Dallas Office is requested to follow these details carefully so that the Bureau may determine by a comparison of dates and towns, whether Maxwell is furnishing a true story to your office.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

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DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. ON EVENING 8-30-35 JAMES WHITE NOT HAVING FURNISHED LOCATION WEAVER WAS PICKED UP AGAIN AT MY REQUEST BY WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE AND IN SUBSEQUENT ADMISSSIONS GAVE US LOCATION IN FLORIDA ABOUT 1-30 AM 8-31-35. TOGETHER WITH AGENTS BROWN, SULLIVAN, JONES, CASSIDY I ARRIVED JACKSONVILLE 3 PM 8-31. VARIOUS OTHER AGENTS SENT IN WERE PLACED UNDER COVER JACKSONVILLE UNTIL AGENT BROWN AND MYSELF COULD MAKE SURVEILLANCE AND IDENTIFICATION OF THESE PARTIES AND POSSIBLY VERIFY IF ANY OTHERS WERE WITH WEAVER AND EATON. THIS WAS DONE ON THE NIGHT 8-31 AND THEY WERE LOCATED AT GILLS SALOON DAYTONA BEACH AND FOLLOWED TO THE ADDRESS WHERE THEY WERE LIVING TWO MILES SOUTH OF ALLENDALE FLORIDA ON US HIGHWAY 1 AND CHECK OF THE HOUSE WHEN THEY ARRIVED INDICATED APPARENTLY THESE PARTIES THE ONLY ONES OCCUPYING HOUSE AND FROM OBSERVATION IT WAS UNDOUBTEDLY MYRTLE EATON BUT IDENTIFICATION OF WEAVER WAS ~~DIFFICULT~~ DIFFICULT FROM PICTURE. ON EARLY MORNING 9-1-35 THE PLACE WAS SURROUNDED AND THE ROADS BLOCKED AND WE WAITED UNTIL THEY GOT UP. AT 7 AM WEAVER CAME OUT THE FRONT DOOR TO GET HIS PAPER AND AGENT CASSIDY AND MYSELF WITH GUN ON HIM DIRECTED HIM TO SURRENDER AND THE ~~OTHER~~ OTHER AGENTS SUITABLY BACKED UP THE SITUATION. MYRTLE EATON WAS IN THE HOUSE AND TAKEN INTO CUSTODY. THEY HAVE WITH THEM A TWO YEAR OLD BOY WHICH IS THE BABY THEY HAVE TAKEN LEGAL CUSTODY FROM A DESTITUTE MOTHER IN THE IMMEDIATE LOCALITY. THERE WAS ALSO FOUND \$1002.32 PART OF WHICH CLAIMED BY WEAVER AND ~~PART~~ PART BY MYRTLE. NONE IDENTIFIED AS RANSOM MONEY. THEY WERE ALSO IN POSSESSION OF A FORD TRUCK AND AN OLDSMOBILE SEDAN. LATTER CLAIMED PURCHASED JOHNSON CITY TENNESSEE IN NAME JANE OSBORNE. WEAVER AND MYRTLE EATON WERE LIVING AS MAN AND WIFE UNDER THE NAME OF

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J W OSBORNE. HOUSE THEY WERE OCCUPYING WAS PURCHASED NOVEMBER 1934 FOR \$1600.00 IN NAME JANE OSBORNE WHICH THEY HAVE OCCUPIED SINCE THAT DATE. ALSO WE FOUND IN THE HOUSE ONE 22 CALIBRE COLT AUTOMATIC TWO 380 CALIBRE COLT AUTOMATICS ONE 45 CALIBRE COLT AUTOMATIC WITH EXTENSION 20 SHOT CLIP ONE 45 CALIBRE COLT REVOLVER ONE 12 GAUGE SHOTGUN ONE 410 GAUGE SHOTGUN ONE BLACK JACK AND MISCELLANEOUS AMMUNITION. ALL OF THIS BROUGHT TO OFFICE AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO BUREAU. IN ABSENCE OF ANY IDENTIFICATION OF MONEY FOUND IT WILL BE TREATED AS PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE FUGITIVES. EDWARD AND MYRTLE EATON WERE BROUGHT TO JACKSONVILLE OFFICE AND ARE NOW HELD. BOTH HAVE SIGNED ~~WAIVERS~~ WAIVERS AND AGREE TO RETURN TO ST PAUL WHENEVER WE WISH TO TAKE THEM. QUESTIONING OF THESE TWO INDIVIDUALS HAS DEVELOPED LITTLE INFORMATION BUT WE ARE CONTINUING THE INTERROGATION. WEAVER HAS DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF THE BREKID CASE BUT INDICATES AN ATTITUDE OF PLEADING GUILTY ALTHOUGH NOT DEFINITELY STATING HE WILL. PROBABLY IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO GO TO TRIAL ON THIS PARTY PLACING WEAVER ON TRIAL WITH SAWYER AND CASH MCDONALD AS THIS WOULD HAVE A GOOD EFFECT ON THE JURY BY HAVING ONE OF THE ACTUAL KIDNAPERS ON TRIAL. WE ARE SEARCHING THE HIDE-OUT CLOSELY AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO ~~UNTIL~~ UNTIL EVERY POSSIBILITY EXHAUSTED, IN VIEW REPORT WEAVER HAS \$12,500.00 RANSOM MONEY UNCHANGED WHEN HE SEPARATED FROM THE MOB IN SANDUSKY OHIO SUMMER 1934. ✓ AS PER TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WILL LEAVE 9-2-35 VIA CHARTERED PLANE 7-30 AM WITH AGENTS SULLIVAN BROWN JONES CASSIDY AND ✓ MATRON IRENE MYNIHAN AND SHOULD ARRIVE ST PAUL 5-00 PM WITH MYRTLE EATON AND WILLIAM WEAVER CHARGE WILL BE \$1,867.86

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PHONE BREKID REFERENCE TELETYPE SAC CONNELLEY DATED AUG. 30 1935
RELATIVE BURNED CORPSE FOUND AT ONTARIOVILLE ILLINOIS. 32 CALIBRE
BULLET REMOVED FROM BODY TURNED OVER THIS OFFICE BY SHERIFF
WHEATON ILLINOIS AND FORWARDED TO BUREAU 9-1-35 FOR BALLISTICS
COMPARISON WITH SAME CALIBRE AUTOMATIC PISTOLS SERIALS 481720
AND 304899 RECOVERED FROM RUSSELL GIBSON APARTMENT IN CGO.
THESE GUNS SHIPPED TO BUREAU 9-2-35.

CLARA GIBSON ADVISES SHE LAST SAW HARRISON ON MORNING OF 1-5-35
SHE COULD THROW NO LIGHT ON WRIST WATCH OR EYE GLASSES IDENTIFICATION.
RUTH HEIDT DIVORCED WIFE OF HARRISON ADVISED HE POSSESSED WRIST
WATCH WITH YELLOW GOLD LINK BRACELET WHEN MARRIED TO HER IN DECEMBER
1931 AND STILL WORE SAME WHEN SHE SEPARATED FROM HIM IN 1932 THIS
BRACELET ANSWERS DESCRIPTION OF FRAGMENTARY PARTS BRACELET FOUND WITH
BURNED CORPSE. SHE ALSO ADVISED SHE LAST SAW HARRISON EITHER DAY
OR TWO DAYS AFTER NEW YEARS LAST AT GIBSONS APARTMENT THAT HE WORE
GLASSES ACCOUNT WEAK EYES. SHE COULD NO DESCRIBE GLASSES. SHE STATES
HARRISON WORE SUSPENDERS. METAL PARTS OF SUSPENDERS WERE FOUND ALONG
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-SAC CONNELLEY AND AGENTS MCKEE AND BROWN STATE HARRISON WORE METAL RIMMED GLASSES OF OCTOGON SHAPE DECEMBER 15 LAST WHEN SEEN IN LOBBY HOTEL MORRISON WITH PATRICIA LONQUEST AND MILDRED KUHLMAN. PATRICIA LONQUEST STATES SHE WAS IN COMPANY HARRISON ON SEVERAL OCCASSIONS DURING EARLY DECEMBER LAST AND KNOWS HE WORE WRIST WATCH BUT UNABLE TO DESCRIBE WATCH BRACELET OR STRAP. STATES SHE LAST SAW HARRISON AT MORRISON HOTEL DURING MIDDLE DECEMBER. STATES SHE WAS TOLD BY MILDRED KUHLMAN THAT HARRISON WOULD TELEPHONE HER ON SATURDAY PRIOR SHOOTING AT GIBSON APARTMENT BUT THAT SHE DID NOT RECEIVE THIS CALL.

THIS DATE WAS 1-5-35. EXAMINATION OF LOG COVERING TAP ON LONQUEST TELEPHONE INDICATES SHE WAS EXPECTING CALL FROM HARRISON AS SHE STATES LOG ALSO SHOWS CALL WAS NOT RECEIVED.

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EDITH BARRY PERSONALLY CONTACTED INFORMANT AT HIS CHICAGO OFFICE THIS MORNING STATING SHE WAS RETURNING TO TOLEDO BY PLANE. SHE STATE NOTHING COULD BE DONE ABOUT OPERATIONS FOR TWO WEEKS AS CONTACT PARTY WAS IN EUROPE AND WOULD NOT RETURN FOR THAT PERIOD. SHE FURNISHED NO INFORMATION RE IDENTITY CONTACT PARTY. SHE GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO DRIVE TO TOLEDO IN TWO WEEKS WITH TOOLS AND ENROUTE TO STOP AT ELKHART INDIANA FOR DEFINITE INSTRUCTIONS BY TELEPHONE. INFORMANT ADVISES HE BELIEVES BARRY SINCERE AND THAT HE INTENDS TO PROCEED

TOLEDO ON SEPTEMBER 17 UNLESS INSTRUCTIONS ALTERED. HE ALSO STATES HE BELIEVES BARRY MADE VISIT THIS MORNING TO OBSERVE HIS PRESENT ATTITUDE STATING CONVERSATION MADE HIM THINK THE BOYS HAD SENT HER AND THAT SHE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE BOYS. SHE STATED KARPIS ~~AND~~ ~~IS~~ ANXIOUS TO SEE HIS BABY. INFORMANT BELIEVES BARRY WILL CONTACT HIM FURTHER BEFORE EXPIRATION OF TWO WEEK PERIOD. BARRY INDICATED IN CONVERSATION THAT THE BOYS ARE TRAVELLING IN AND OUT OF ST. PAUL. INFORMANTS ATTITUDE ON COOPERATION STILL APPARENTLY GOOD.

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ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
REF ENVELOPE ATTACHED

SEP - 4 1935

12 men who work at 370 Lexington Ave
New York, & make air trips from
network, visit ~~CHIPS~~ the South west
corner of 148 Street & Amsterdam Ave,
148 & Amsterdam Ave, 3 visits a day &
all night sessions (going for 1 hour to
5-8 St & 11th Ave, not Bureau men.
11 are at 148 St, possibly Joe Fox & Myrtle
Eaton (reported captured in St. Paul)

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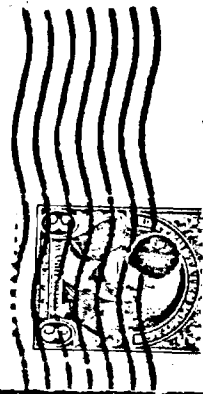
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Edward G. Brennan

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Dept Justice
Washington, D.C.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

DB:MMB
7-36P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
September 3, 1935

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Joseph	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schmidt	.....
Mr. Connelley	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. #1218, et al.
Edward George Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

I was talking to [redacted] today. This woman is an informant of this office [redacted] has from time to time expressed a desire to assist this office in the apprehension of Alvin Karpis. She, of course, is interested in any reward she may be able to earn and in addition thereto she doesn't like Karpis. b7c
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[redacted] informs me that she does not know the mother and father of Karpis but that she is well acquainted with Emily Newbold, a sister of Alvin Karpis, who apparently is, or has been, making her home with the parents of Alvin. [redacted] has stated that it is possible that she could obtain some information from Emily Newbold concerning Karpis or the manner in which he is contacting, or if he is contacting, the family, if she were to go to Chicago and stay there a few days.

It is requested that the Bureau advise me immediately by wire or air mail whether it is desired that [redacted] go to Chicago with the view to obtaining any possible information from members of the family. If she goes, of course, it will be necessary for the Bureau to finance her and will require an expenditure of from \$100.00 to \$150.00.

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Very truly yours,

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SEP 5 1935

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

AIR MAIL

cc - Mr. Connelley - Cincinnati.

SEP 12 1935

Memorandum
to Mr. Nathan
9/9/35
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

HN:CSH

September 5, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

9:45 AM

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

I called Connelley at Chicago with reference to the letter of September 3rd from Mr. Brantley at Oklahoma City, in which he states that one [REDACTED] is willing to go to Chicago if the Bureau will finance her and contact Emily Newbold, a sister of Alvin Karpis. Both Connelley and I agreed that this would be undesirable at this time, inasmuch as it might possibly upset current plans. Later on, if current plans fall through, it might be well to take a chance. I have wired Brantley to this effect.

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Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY

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SEPTEMBER 5, 1935

PHONE BREKID YOUR LETTER THIRD BUREAU FEELS

INFORMANT SHOULD NOT PROCEED CHICAGO NOW PLAN

MIGHT BE ADOPTED IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS DEPENDING UPON
DEVELOPMENTS

HAROLD NATHAN
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
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SENT VIA POSTAL

11:27 A.M.

Per

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida,
September 4, 1935.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

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SEP 11 1935

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, 1935
I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding to the Bureau today, via Railway Express Agency, Inc., under Government Bill of Lading J. 69689, the various guns which were found in the residence occupied by William Weaver, Port Orange, Florida, upon the occasion of his apprehension there September 1, 1935. A memorandum listing these various weapons is attached hereto, and a copy of this letter together with a copy of said memorandum is being placed in the box with the weapons for the information of the Technical Laboratory.

Special Agent E. J. Connelley has suggested that proper examination be made of these weapons, and also that test shots be fired from them.

I presume the Bureau will desire to trace the origin of these several guns, but the Jacksonville Office is in possession of no helpful information in this direction. It is possible that subject Weaver has given some explanation as to where he acquired them since he arrived at St. Paul, Minn. No doubt, if such is the case the Bureau will be promptly advised.

The ammunition recovered from the home of Weaver will be retained at the Jacksonville Office and, unless the Bureau instructs to the contrary, such of it as can be used will be merged with our supply here and the remainder will be destroyed.

In my letter of the 2nd instant to the Bureau, I indicated that the sum of \$1,002.32, which was taken from the possession of Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, would be forwarded to the St. Paul Office. Since writing that letter Mr. Connelley has advised that this money should be held at the Jacksonville Office until further instructions. This will be done.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc: St. Paul, Cincinnati, Chicago.
Jax File 7-24.

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The following weapons, etcetera, taken from the residence occupied by William Weaver at time of his apprehension:

- ✓ 1 12-gauge Remington Automatic Shotgun, with recoil pad, Serial No. 261109.
- ✓ 1 26-inch barrel, for above gun, Serial No. 261109.
- ✓ 1 31-inch barrel for above gun, Serial No. 261109
- ✓ 1 Leather carrying case for above gun, containing cleaning rods. On the cover of this case appears the following names printed in ink: "T.J. Weizky, Daytona Beach, Fla., Gene Johnson". The name T. J. Weizky has been crossed out in ink.
- ✓ 1 410 gauge Winchester Pump Shotgun, Model 42, Serial #3489
- ✓ 1 380 Colt Automatic Pistol, Serial # 113038
- ✓ 1 380 Colt Automatic Pistol, Serial # 112352
- ✓ 4 Clips for Automatic Pistol, 380.
- ✓ 1 22-calibre Colt Automatic Pistol "The Woodsman", Ser. #85506
- ✓ 1 Clip for same
- Colt
- ✓ 1 45-calibre Revolver, Serial # 259805
On butt of handle "U.S. Army Model 1917, 104 773".
Stamped on bottom of barrel "United States Property".
- ✓ 1 45-calibre Colt Automatic Pistol, Serial # 345132
"Model of 1911 U.S. Army"; "United States Property".
- ✓ 6 Clips for same - regular length
- ✓ 1 Multi-Shot" clip for same.
- ✓ 1 Tan Brief Case (4 pockets.

Some of the pistols were concealed in the tan brief case afore-mentioned.

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September 10, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 4, 1935 in which you advise that you forwarded to the Bureau by Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, various guns which were found at the residence of William Weaver in the vicinity of Port Orange, Florida. It is noted that you attached to said letter a memorandum describing the various guns recovered. In your letter you state that you "presume the Bureau will desire to trace the origin of these several guns, but that the Jacksonville office is in possession of no helpful information in this direction".

You are advised that, according to Bureau instructions issued heretofore, it is incumbent upon your office to take the proper steps toward tracing such guns. I direct your attention to Bureau letter addressed to the Jacksonville office, dated June 8, 1934, in which the following language is used:

"The Division desires that in every instance where a gun is recovered in the course of an investigation being conducted by the Division, prompt efforts be made to trace such gun or guns back to the factory. The supervision of the investigation with reference to the tracing of these guns should be handled by the Field Office covering the territory wherein the gun was recovered. This procedure should be instituted at once."

I am unable to understand your failure to properly trace these weapons in keeping with the above mentioned Bureau instructions. It is, therefore, requested that you immediately follow such instructions in an effort to trace the guns mentioned in the memorandum attached to your letter dated September 4, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED
SEP 11 1935
E. J. Connelley
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



E. J. Connelley

FEDERAL BUREAU

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

503-A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.

Salt Lake City, Utah

August 31, 1935

Gentlemen:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it will be appreciated if you will advise if you have a record of repairing a man's Illinois open face watch as described herein.

The watch in question is stolen and this office is interested in knowing the identity of the individual who may have it in his possession. In the event such watch is left with you for repairs, sale or trade, it is respectfully requested that you notify this office at once by telephone collect at Wasatch 1797.

"Illinois open face man's watch; medium size; white gold with band yellow gold around edge; crystal has V shaped crack; initials 'VCZ' engraved on outside back full size of case. Serial number unknown; 17 jewels."

Your assistance in furnishing any information which you may secure about this watch will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Louis D. Wine

LOUIS D. WINE
Acting Special Agent in Charge

Copy sent to all jewelry stores in Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

503-A U.S. Court House & P.O. Bldg.
Salt Lake City, Utah

September 1, 1935

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it will be appreciated if you will advise the recovery from any person arrested by your department of a man's Illinois open face watch as described herein.

The watch in question is stolen and this office is interested in knowing the identity of the individual who may be found in possession of the same. In the event such watch is found in the possession of any person arrested by you, it is respectfully requested that you hold such person and notify this office at once by telephone collect at Wasatch 1797.

"Illinois open face man's watch; medium size; white gold with band yellow gold around edge; crystal has V shaped crack; initials 'VCZ' engraved on outside back full size of case; 17 jewels; serial number not known at this time."

Your assistance in furnishing any information which you may secure about this watch will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Louis D. Wine

LOUIS D. WINE
Acting Special Agent in Charge

Copy sent to all peace officers.

September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Aberdeen, South Dakota. *ALL Field Offices*

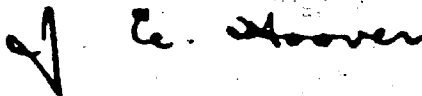
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FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

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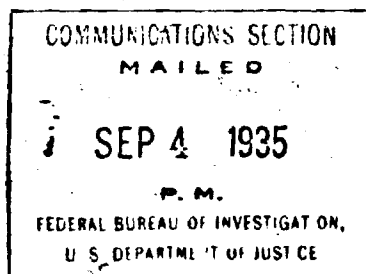
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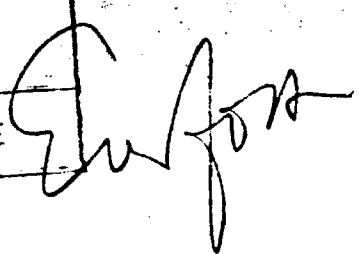
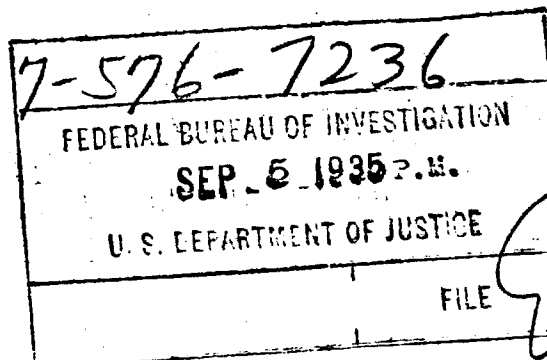


John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Edwards.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

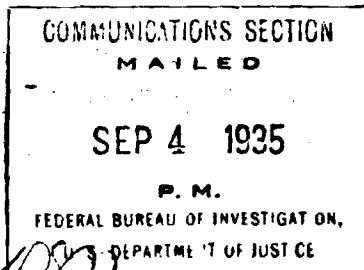
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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



E. J. Fox

September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Nathan.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
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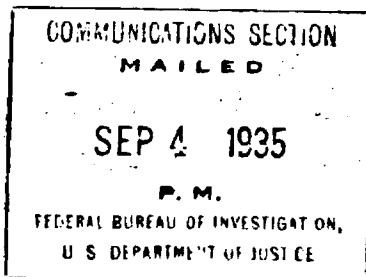
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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Quinn.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

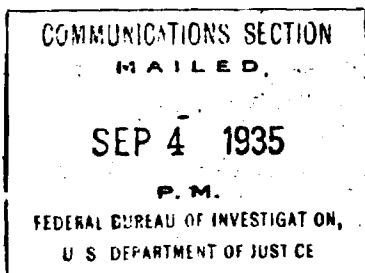
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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tamm.

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FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
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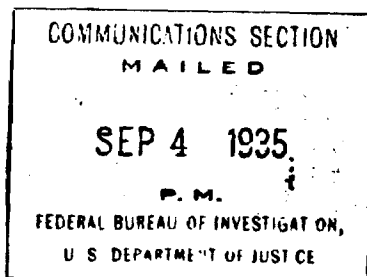
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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Keith.

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Edward George Bremer, Victim -
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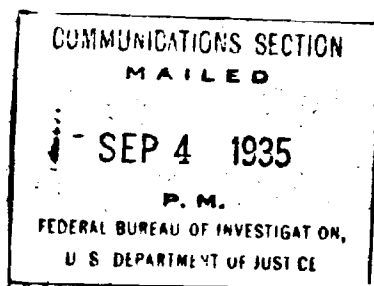
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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Clegg.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
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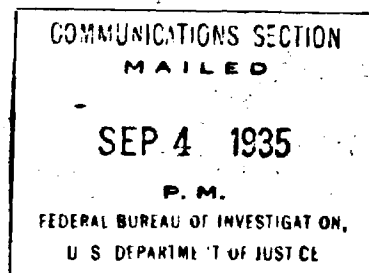
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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Egan.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
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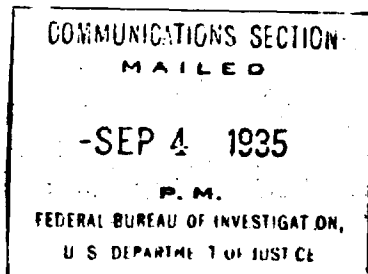
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Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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[Signature]

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September 3, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,

Attention: Mr. Tolson.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
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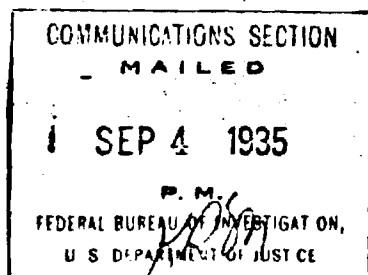
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J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

RAA:SLH

September 4, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter of yesterday advising of the call at this office of Florian Wood, chief reporter for the Jacksonville Journal, when he severely criticized the Bureau and this office for not furnishing him with information concerning the apprehension and removal of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton.

I now desire to inform the Bureau that Mr. Wood again called at the office this morning and manifested a very repentant attitude relative to his call of yesterday. He apologized profusely, stating he regretted that when he previously conferred with the writer he acted like an overgrown school boy, and hoped that no offense would be taken and that our cordial relations could be continued. I assured Mr. Wood that there was no reason why our past cordial relations could not be maintained in the future. He stated that after thinking over the matter he now fully realized and appreciated the Bureau's policy with respect to publicity.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

September 2, 1935.

Time-5:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: Releases on William Weaver
and Robert C. Nelson.

In accordance with your telephonic instructions, I telephoned Mr. Pinkerton of the Associated Press and in his absence, I gave the releases on William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton and also the release on Robert C. Nelson to Mr. Fay who was acting in Mr. Pinkerton's absence.

Mr. Morris, who was acting in Mr. Halverstadt's absence at the United Press was contacted and given the releases on William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton and also the release on Robert C. Nelson.

Photographs of the above mentioned subjects were supplied Mr. Fay of the Associated Press and also a representative of the Washington Herald sent over by Mr. Waldrop. Mr. Morris of the United Press was notified of the available photographs but did not send for them.

Respectfully,

H. Nathan.

Mr. Nathan	✓
Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Daughman	
Chief Clerk	
Mr. Clegg	
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Special Agent in Charge,
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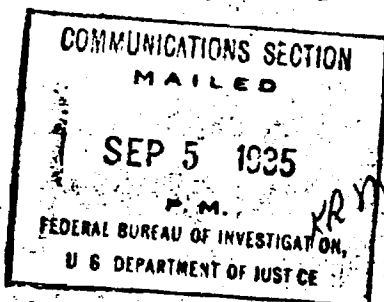
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Fugitive, I.O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREWER, Victim;
Kidnaping.

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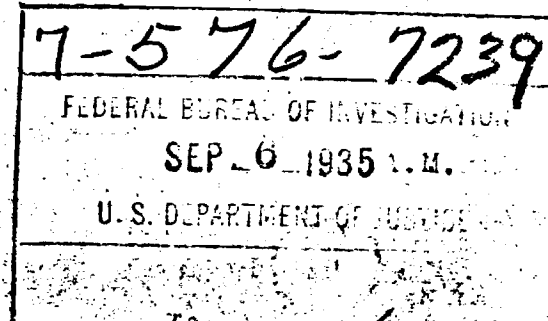
It is kindly requested that you advise the
Bureau immediately the status of the state case against
Bruno Austin, in which it is understood that he is
charged with murder and pleaded guilty to said charge.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MECHANICAL SECTION

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum containing data for Apprehension Order No. 353 on William Weaver, with aliases, Identification Order No. 1238.

Confirming telephonic advice of September 3, 1935, the identification data concerning Weaver should be withdrawn from the Pocket Identification Orders.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

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Assistant Director.

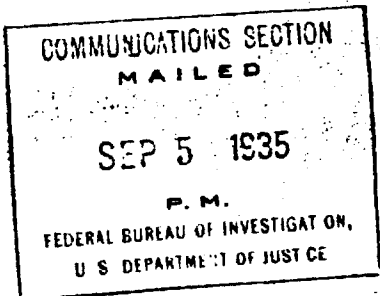
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APPREHENSION ORDER
NO. 1238-353

Re: WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases: P. O.
Donald, Phoenix O'Donald, R. A. Nelson,
T. J. Nelson, P. J. Nelson, Bill Scott,
Bill Weaver, W. G. Weaver, J. A. Orhood,
Charles W. Lucas, Charles E. Polling,
P. O. Scott, Bill Thornton, Phoenix
Donald, Phoenix O'Donnell, Felix Donald -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Identification Order No. 1238 on the above named subject
is hereby canceled, inasmuch as he was apprehended at Allandale,
Florida on September 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,

Director.

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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
September 4, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington - D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE
I. O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are transmitted herewith copies of a letter written by Wynona Burdette, who is presently confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, to her brother, Art Burdette, 1004 Parade St., Erie, Pa.; also copies of letters received by Dolores DeLaney, confined at the Federal Detention Home at Milan, from Babe and Margaret DeLaney, 6045 Kimbark Ave., Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. Emily Newbold, 2840 N. Francisco St., Chicago, Illinois.

Copies of these letters are also being forwarded to the offices listed below.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson
D. L. Nicholson
Special Agent in Charge

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Milan, Michigan,
Box 1000
August 25, 1935

My Darling Brother:

Well, here I is brother-o-mine. Why haven't I heard from you, Art? Are you ill? Please answer, won't you and tell me if anything is wrong? I have waited all month for your letter and each time the mail comes and there isn't anything for me I try to convince myself that there will be some the next time. I heard Esther and Eunice this month but I miss my sweet brother's letter.

Art, you told me to let you know when Esther was coming to see me. She wrote and said that R. D. 's vacation started Sept. 15 and she will probably be here shortly after that, tho she didn't give the exact date. Why don't you write her and ask her when it will be so that you can come and meet her here? She mentioned about taking Gwen out of school and bringing her here but as much as I would love to see her I hope she doesn't because I don't think they would let me see her as she isn't quite sixteen yet and that is the age limit. I don't want her to see her Auntie in this kind of a place. I am sure her idea of a penitentiary is as different from this as night is from day. I wish Esther would bring Eunice and Jimmie up cause I would love to see them. In fact I'd like see the whole family, but they only allow four visitors at a time so I guess that's out - right now anyway, no matter who else comes tho, honey, please do your best to come if you can afford it, won't you?

Have I been in misery for the last week, or have I? One of my wisdom teeth is on the war path and no fooling! The whole right side of my face was swollen like nothing you ever saw before. The dentist and doctor were both up to look at it, but they said nothing could be done until the swelling had gone down. It's practically gone now and so most any one of these days I'm liable to have another tooth missing.

What did you think of the Lewis-Levinsky fight? I didn't care much about it either way it went - but almost all the other girls were so dissappointed it was pitiful. You see, we are supposed to be in bed every night at 9 o'clock and that night Mr. Ryan gave us permission to stay up till the fight was over. We all thought we were going to be able to stay up a little later for a change and then the crazy thing is over in two minutes and we're in bed at 9:15. That's what I call a dirty trick.

How is Lena - Bill? Is she still good to you, darling? Tell her she had better be, cause I just won't stand for anyone treating you badly. Say "hello" to her for me.

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Have you heard from any of the kids lately? They all said that they wanted to hear from you and asked for your address. I sent it to Eunice and Esther this month and when I write the other's I'll send it to them.

Are things breaking right for you and is everything okay? I hope you're still playing the violin. I sure would hate to see you stop that. You play so beautifully.

I'll say good bye for now, darlin', and please - please write soon.

Oceans of love and kisses from your baby sis.

Nanie

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August 29, 1935

Dear Dolores:

No - I hadn't forgot about you, or anything like that. I've been trying to get a few days' off to come up and see you. But I just can't seem to arrange it. I don't know whether I told you I was working as a cashier or not, did I? Job's are so scarce now that I'm afraid to leave. But if I can't arrange to come up soon, I'll have Dick drive Babe up. (that's a lot of oil, Dick)

Gee, I sure would like to see you tho. It's been so long since I have. Are you still gaining weight. I wouldn't worry about it if you are because you will lose it as soon as you get out. I weighed 120 lbs. and I went down to 104 in the first two months. You can imagine what I looked like at 120 - at my height. Mother said you were feeling ill the last time you wrote; what seems to be the trouble. Surely you don't have to work if you aren't well. Write and tell me how long you have to work and so on.

I've felt so bad that I couldn't send you some money, but you understand, don't you, that I would have if I possibly could. Have you had any money for cig. I could send you a dollar or so in each letter if that would help any, would it?

We were over to see the baby a few day's ago. And is he ever healthy looking. He's just like a butter ball. I can't decide who he looks more like tho. I think he's going to be rather tall. I bought him a little sweater yesterday. I haven't taken it over yet. I hope it fits. You asked me about the Ortlipp's in your letter. They often ask about you. Kay had her eyes straightened and her ears fixed. She sure looks like a different girl now. She's been going steady for about a year now. He's not bad, but not anything to rave about. Harry is as tall as Bud and is he ever the good looking kid. Kind of girl crazy tho. Mrs. Ortlipp still looks the same.

You remember Dorothy Paterson - Johnny sister. She married a very wealthy man. His dad owns the Fair store here. They claimed she got him drunk and married him. His family is very much against it.

Dolores, would you ask Mrs. or Mr. Karpis to give me a picture of the baby. I would like to have one very much. And I would like to have that camera you mentioned as I haven't any. Then we could take some pictures and send you. I looked high and low for those I promised you, but I can't find them anywhere.

Well, honey, take care of yourself and write soon. Say "Hello" to Helen and Pat for me. Dick said to say "Hello".

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Oceans of Love,

Mugs

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August 27, 1935

Dear Dolores:

We have been planing on coming down to see you and that was the reason we haven't written. But Marge hasn't been able to get off. We are going to see the office here before we do to see if Marge can't get a pass to see you.

I wrote a letter when I first came down here, but didn't mail it. I sure am glad that I finally made up my mind and came here.

We were over to see the baby a week ago. Gee he sure a cute baby and is he fat, he looks like a butter ball. We were supposed to go over again this last Friday, but could not make it, so we will go over this week sometime. Dolores when you write to Mrs. Karpis ask her if she will give us a picture of the baby, she has some, and they are real good ones, but she didn't offer to give us any. And we sure would like to have one.

We have been wanting to send you some money but I am not working and it takes all that Marge makes to keep us agoing, but as soon as I get to work, we will make up for it.

There is nothing much in the line of news to write about except the weather and that is getting quite cool, so will close for now and will write again soon.

Love

Babe

Say hello to anybody I know

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Return address on envelope:
Margaret Delaney
6045 Kimbark Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

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Chicago, Illinois,
August 27, 1935

Dear Dolores:

Will write you a few lines tonight, just wrote a letter to Betty, she is visiting in Lapeka so thought I would also write you.

How are you? fine I hope. I feel much better now and seem to be gaining a little weight. How much do you weigh now?

Your son is getting fatter every day, and is he cute. I never saw a baby so happy, he is always laughing. We have a new baby next door, he seems to be crying all the time.

My father puts him on the floor and he is always trying to walk. They can't keep shoes on him, he is always pulling or untying his shoes. He always has one bare foot sticking up in the air or in his mouth.

You are going to have one spoilt baby when you get out. If he cried for the moon, my father would get it for him I believe. My father's idea is to give him everything he wants.

Time is sure passing, soon it will be winter again, and do I hate these cold winters we have here. I want to get Raymond a cute outfit for winter, a blue one as his eyes are sure blue, everyone remarks how big and blue they are. Some man said to my mother the other night, its a shame he's so pretty, why couldn't he be a girl. And that is true, he sure is a pretty baby.

Their isn't much news here. Some one stole my father's dog. Betty will have a fit when she returns as she is crazy about dogs.

I have been working steady, which will come in handy if I buy that fur coat. I have always wanted one, it took 7 years of working to get it although something might come up yet so I can't buy it.

Take good care of yourself, try not to think to much of things, the time will pass, it has to then you can have Raymond always.

Write soon.

(Signed)

With Love
Mrs. Emily Newbold
2840 N. Francisco.

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. #1218, Fugitive, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent J. M. Jones, dated at Chicago, Illinois, July 18, 1935, in which it is observed that in 1933 William Elmer Meade using the alias of C. C. Chase registered a 1932 Lincoln automobile in the State of Illinois receiving license tag #32864. At the time of the issuance of this license, he gave his address as, the Empire Hotel, Springfield, Illinois.

The Bureau desires that a very thorough and intensive investigation be made looking towards the apprehension of William Elmer Meade. To this end, it is desired that you immediately conduct the investigation at the Empire Hotel, Springfield, Illinois, as set out in the undeveloped lead in the above mentioned report, and advise the Bureau of the results of your inquiry at an early date.

From a review of your file, you will remember that Meade is an international confidence man, who is badly wanted by the United States Post Office Department. You will also note that the Bureau is interested in the apprehension of Meade in order that he may be interviewed with regard to the above entitled matter. I particularly desire that you make efforts to secure informants in the vicinity of the Empire Hotel who may be of assistance in locating Meade.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

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P. O. Box 1276,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
September 3, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledge of Bureau letter of August 30, 1935 with which was forwarded a letter from one Arthur W. Crawford of Healdton, Oklahoma, wherein he stated that there is some possibility that Alvin Karpis participated in a bank robbery at Maysville, Oklahoma on August 5, 1935.

For your information the First National Bank at Maysville was robbed on August 5, 1935 by one Jack Brunson with aliases, and one Jack Moore with aliases, both of whom are now in custody.

For your further information the author of this letter is one Arthur W. Crawford, who apparently is and has been for the last 18 months a prolific correspondent of the Bureau and of the Oklahoma City Office and possibly law enforcement officials throughout the United States. Crawford is a World War Veteran, has a detective complex, and is mentally deficient. It appears from the letters of Crawford that he possesses possible information as to the whereabouts of any and all outlaws within the State of Oklahoma and in other sections of the country.

In view of these circumstances, no interview will be had with Crawford unless the Bureau further specifically directs.

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Very truly yours,

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DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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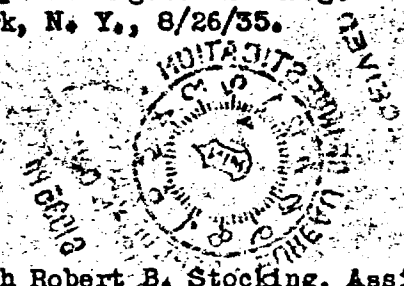
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REPORT MADE AT: NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE: 9/5/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8/24 & 25/35	REPORT MADE BY: G. J. STARR
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O. 1218-FUGITIVE et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM		CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at Hotel Empire, New York City, failed to disclose anyone residing there closely resembling Karpis. Assistant Manager R. B. Stocking states Oscar Loynaz-Paez, Venezuelan resembles him slightly but not profile view.			
REFERENCE: Report of Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, New York, N. Y., 8/26/35.			
DETAILS: AT NEW YORK This agent talked with Robert B. Stocking, Assistant Manager, Hotel Empire, Broadway at 63rd Street, New York City, and exhibited to him photograph of Karpis (K.C.P. 1539). He stated that during the past two weeks he has been on duty in the lobby, at the desk, almost continuously every day and night and during that time has had an unusually good opportunity to observe all the guests and other persons passing in and out of the hotel, and the only person whom he can recall as resembling the original of the photograph of Alvin Karpis is Oscar Loynaz-Paez, of			
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Curacao, Dutch West Indies, a Venezuelan who came to the hotel through recommendation of one of his countrymen, arriving there on August 18, 1935. This man has not been interviewed. It will be recalled that the original information indicated that the man seen by the informant, as set forth in report of reference, was wearing a brown suit. Mr. Stocking, in the absence of Oscar Loynaz-Paez, examined his wardrobe in his room and found there a brown vest which would indicate the possibility that he was wearing a brown suit, at that time, inasmuch as owing to the excessive heat most men in New York City have been going without vests. Mr. Stocking talked with the desk clerk, John Fiske, and exhibited to him the photograph and he could not recognize him as resembling anyone he had seen in the hotel.

This agent talked with J. Caspers and Kenneth Hall, both clerks, and neither of them could recall having seen anyone in the hotel resembling the photograph of Karpis.

In this connection it should be noted that Hall is a man who has been doing hotel work for a long number of years, and is understood to have a remarkable ability to remember names and faces and handwriting.

Agent also talked with Edward B. Bell, General Manager, Hotel Empire, who stated that he does not have much opportunity to see the guests as he is seldom around the lobby, however, that he had seen no one around that resembled the photograph. He gave instructions to Mr. Stocking that every possible cooperation is to be given agents of this Bureau in connection with this investigation.

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NEW YORK OFFICE

In order to attempt to establish further the reliability of the information furnished by the informant as set forth in Assistant Special Agent in Charge Hanson's report an interview will be had with Oscar Loynaz-Paez to determine whether or not he was actually wearing a brown suit on the night in question and whether he sufficiently resembles Karpis to mislead anyone into believing that he might be Karpis.

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September 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of the Chicago office directed to the Cincinnati office, dated August 15, 1935, in which the Cincinnati office was requested to forward to the Bureau the original license application executed in the name of Gene L. Jordan, which license application was transmitted to the Cincinnati office by the Atlanta office.

The files of the Bureau fail to disclose that this license application has been forwarded to the Bureau. The Bureau is in receipt of a handwriting specimen of Mike Moreno and desires that a comparison be made between the handwriting of Mike Moreno and that found on the license application mentioned above.

The Cincinnati office is, therefore, requested to immediately transmit said license application to the Bureau for proper handwriting comparison.

Very truly yours,

For the Director,

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Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

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KRM:GJ SEPTEMBER 5, 1935.

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: E. J. CONNELLEY, CHICAGO OFFICE.

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EDITH BARRY AND TO PAY \$9 PER WEEK RENTAL FOR SAID APARTMENT FOR TWO WEEKS.

HAROLD NATHAN,
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

*Adv. G. Bremer
Please supply
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REPORT MADE AT DALLAS, TEXAS	DATE WHEN MADE 9/3/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/24, 26/35	REPORT MADE BY F. J. BLAKE
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. # 1218 - FUGITIVE; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATL. FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Person previously interviewed who gave name of I. W. Maxwell says his real name is Harry Stien. Says talked to Weaver 8-25-35 in Texas. Refuses to name place. Says Karpis has two apartments in Cleveland, Ohio, and that woman with Karpis is Bobby Kerrigan of Hutchinson, Kans.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent in Charge Blake, Dallas, Texas, dated 8-26-35.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>The person who previously gave the name of I. W. Maxwell again called at the Dallas Office on the late afternoon of August 24, 1935, and on the morning of August 26, 1935, and said his real name is Harry Stien.</p> <p>On August 24th, he said that Karpis was maintaining two apartments in Cleveland, Ohio; one at the corners of 63rd and Scovill Streets, and one at the corners of 102nd and Superior Streets.</p> <p>The apartment on 63rd Street, he said, was on the second floor, and on the right side of the hall, in the rear</p> <p>The apartment at 102nd Street was a front apartment on the ground floor with the entrance directly in front of the steps. He said these apartments had been rented by Bobby Kerrigan, the woman now with Karpis, and that her home is Hutchinson, Kansas.</p> <p>He described Bobby Kerrigan as: age, 23 years; height, 5' 4"; weight, 118 pounds; dark brown hair; grayish eyes.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>F. J. Blake</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">7 576 7247</div> <div style="float: right;">SEP 6 1935 SEP 9 1935</div> <div style="clear: both;"></div> <div style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">SEP - 3 P.M.</div> <div style="text-align: center;">ONE KPM. STAT. SEC. 100</div>	
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Stien says that Karpis has a connection with some "big man" near Cleveland. He would not amplify this.

He claimed to have received, on that date (August 24th), a letter from Alvin Karpis, signed Ray, in which Karpis told him to come on up there (Cleveland), and in which Karpis asked him "where are the guns." The letter instructed Stien to go to Detroit and inquire of Charlie Lightner as to how to get in touch with Karpis. When asked as to where the letter was, Stien said he burned it after showing it to G. W. Achilles. He said he replied to the letter and sent it to a "big Jew" in Cleveland but he would not name him nor give his address.

Stien said Karpis now had associated with him Harry Millman and two brothers formerly of Detroit, one Bernstein and brother of Detroit, "Pretty" Lamboy of New York, whom he described as "the worst killer" in the country, and "Nicky" Regan of Cleveland.

The substance of this information was telephoned to Special Agent in Charge Connelley at Chicago, Illinois.

G. W. Achilles is the Manager of the Texas Howard Association, 614 Allen Building, Dallas, Texas, telephone 2-2896. This association has for its objective the rehabilitation of former prisoners.

He was personally interviewed by the writer, and said he never saw a letter such as Stien mentioned. He said Stien had told him about being able to contact Karpis and of his intention of going to Washington to give his information to Mr. Hoover. Stien said he would not divulge it to any other individual.

During the period Stien was in the Bureau Office, Captain of Detectives Fritz of the Dallas Police Department, searched his room at the Brooklyn Hotel, Live Oak Street, Dallas, but found absolutely nothing in it. There was not a change of clothes, no toilet articles; in fact, nothing in the room.

Stien, on August 26th, said he had talked to Weaver the day before and Weaver had only \$73.00 and wanted to surrender if certain guarantees were given. He said Weaver was then in the Dallas District.

No leads are being set out as this is being left to the discretion of the supervisory office.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

September 6, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. #1218; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - Kidnaping.

This will advise that on August 30, 1935 Mr. H. T. Negent, Field Supervisor, Narcotic Bureau, Treasury Department, telephonically informed me that Harold McBride was being brought to Washington, D. C. on said date, and that the Narcotic Bureau is trying to prefer an embezzlement charge against him. Mr. Negent did not believe that the embezzlement charge could be prosecuted successfully. He inquired whether this Bureau had any charge against McBride and was advised that no charge is outstanding against McBride by this Bureau.

You will recall that McBride is an itinerant informant who goes from one Bureau office to another, advising that he has information of value on prominent cases, whereas in fact, it is found that he knows nothing of value.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire
K. R. McIntire

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U.S. Department of Justice,
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Washington, D.C.

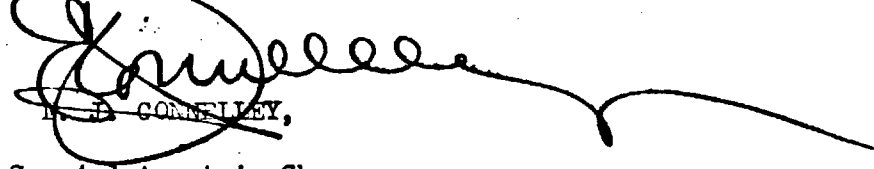
Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to letter of August 27, 1935, from the St. Paul office in which reference is made to the suggestion of interviewing Mrs. O. R. ANDERSON.

In this connection I agree with the suggestion of Special Agent in Charge H. E. Andersen that this woman should not be approached at this time, especially during the time we have a rather definite setup to obtain information as to the movements of BELLE BORN, as it is believed that to do so might cause Belle Born to become suspicious if she learned of this in any way, and it might interfere with the possibility of following her when she leaves this point.

Very truly yours,


J. EDGAR HOOVER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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September 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated August 9, 1935, concerning Ford Sedan, Motor Number, 18-1190702, Ford Coupe, motor number, 18-1037480, and Buick Coupe, motor number, 2884746, all confiscated in connection with the Karpis-Bremer Case.

Inasmuch as the Bureau does not longer desire possession of these cars, it is suggested that the Ford Sedan, motor number, 18-1190702, which was not seized pursuant to a Court Order, title having been transferred to the Bureau by Gregory I. Codomo, in whose possession it was recovered, should be turned back to Gregory I. Codomo and a receipt obtained from him.

It is suggested that the Ford Coupe, motor number, 18-1037480, which was acquired by Duke Randall, having executed a certificate of title transferring said car to the Bureau, should be returned to Duke Randall and a receipt obtained from him.

It is suggested that the Buick Coupe, motor number, 2884746, which was recovered by Bureau Agents at Oklawaha, Florida, be turned over to the Sheriff having jurisdiction at Oklawaha, Florida, in order that he may hold it for the statutory period and then sell it at public sale.

In the event the Ford Sedan and Ford Coupe, mentioned above, can not be returned to Gregory I. Codomo and Duke Randall, it is suggested that these cars also be turned over to the Sheriff having jurisdiction over the places where they were seized, in order that he may sell them at public sale.

Please advise the Bureau promptly when these cars have been disposed of.

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Very truly yours,
For the Director,

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Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

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Washington, D. C.

September 4, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. #1218, et al.;
Edward George Bremer, Victim -
Kidnaping.

A .32 calibre bullet was submitted by the Chicago Office as having been found in a burned barn in Ontarioville, Illinois, on January 6, 1935, with the request that this bullet be compared with test bullets fired from guns of this calibre found in the apartment of Russell Gibson at 3920 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Under separate cover the pistols were submitted, which pistols incidentally have been held at Chicago since February of last year and are being submitted for the first time.

An examination of the questioned bullet submitted indicates that it was fired from a gun having five lands and grooves, right twist, and therefore could not have been fired from either one of the two guns submitted which are Colt Automatic .32 calibre pistols and, as you know, have six lands and grooves, left twist. The questioned bullet will now be searched through the file of unsolved cases and also will the test bullets from the two Colts be so searched.

This information has been furnished orally to Mr. Tamm who was particularly interested in the case and a teletype containing the information in so far as we have gone has been forwarded to the Chicago Office.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

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Colonel Gates called on the telephone, stating he had received an inquiry from a newspaper representative in Atlanta, Georgia, to the effect that Federal Agents were making a thorough search of Weaver's farm, and he wanted to know what had been found. I told him I did not know anything about the details of this matter; that the Director had been handling it, and that he is at Atlantic City.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature: H. Nathan
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #2344
Boston, Massachusetts.

August 21, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
US Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave., at Ninth St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218 et al.,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives;
Obstruction of Justice;
National Firearms Act.

Reference is made to the teletype from the Bureau, in the above entitled case, dated August 20, 1935, requesting all available data in the files of the Boston Bureau Office for the issuance of an Identification Order on William E. Meade, wanted for questioning in the instant case.

There is enclosed herewith the Fugitive Bulletin issued by the Post Office Department on July 2, 1934, in their Case No. 34837-E on William Elmer Mead. There is also enclosed the original registration of Meade at the Myles Standish Hotel in Boston, under the name C. E. Carter, dated June 28, 1935, and bearing the hotel number 6617. We are informed at the hotel that this registration was written by Meade himself.

The Fugitive Bulletin referred to above contained a set of Mead's fingerprints taken, apparently, before they were mutilated. A set of his mutilated fingerprints was forwarded to the Bureau by Hampshire County House of Correction, on July 13, 1935, bearing their number 8669. This set of prints also contained the most recent photograph of Meade, and shows him wearing a mustache. The Fugitive Bulletin contains a photograph of Meade taken August 10, 1933, showing him without a mustache.

The criminal record of Meade is contained in the Bureau under FBI #271926. To this record, the only available data that the Boston

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Office can supply is the fact that the \$200 under which Meade was released by the Northampton, Massachusetts Police, under date of July 12, 1935, was defaulted on July 18, 1935.

It has been ascertained that Meade is married and that his wife, Katherine, presently resides at 1533 Fargo Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. Meade is also known under the name of Kate Mead, Marie Mead and Kate Schmitt. It may be noted here that Meade has other relatives located in Portland, Oregon and San Francisco, California, and that a lead has been set out for the New York Office to interview Inspector H. M. Graham of the Post Office Department with reference to these relatives, and any other information he may have concerning the Subject.

A list of all aliases of this Subject, as contained in the Boston Office files, is as follows:

Elmer Meade	Edward E. Gaynor
J. W. Read	One Clark
J. W. Reed	W. Elmer Mead
J. H. Parker	W. E. Mead
John Henry Foster	William Elmer Mead
J. W. Barker	Charles E. Carter
John H. Foster	C. E. Carter
Wm. E. Mead	C. C. Chase
"Christ Kid"	One Taylor
J. H. Foster	One Fuller
Edwin Elsa Gaynor	John J. Meadows
E. E. Gaynor	C. L. Lane
E. E. Laird	C. E. Charles

A description of Meade, as observed by Special Agent Plunkett of this office, is as follows:


Age - Apparently 65 (states born 12-25-1870; place not given.)
Marital status - Married; wife's name Katherine Meade; no children known.
Height - 5' 10"
Weight - 150 pounds
Build - Medium
Complexion - Medium
Hair - Black, turning gray; partially bald
Mustache - Same color as hair
Wears glasses
Eyes - Blue
Nationality - American.
Occupation - Confidence man
Peculiarities - Finger tips mutilated; left side of mouth apparently partially paralyzed; right corner of mouth is drawn down when speaking; left eye twitches

nervously; apparently has worn
toupee; speaks without accent;
frequently uses "Aint" and double
negative; operates confidence game
with others, usually in connection
with racing or stock market trans-
actions.

It will be noted that the description given above is not
exactly in accord with that given in the Fugitive Bulletin en-
closed herewith . It is anticipated that the information in the
Bulletin will be checked with Inspector Graham by the New York
Office.

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cc - Chicago
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Very truly yours,


C. D. McKEAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

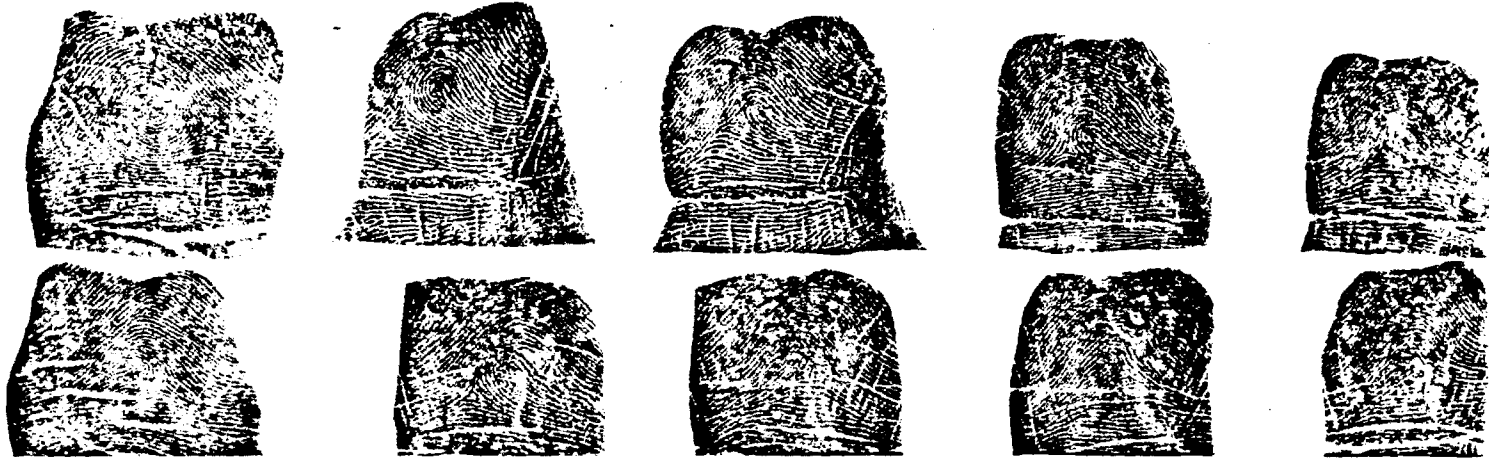
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Issued July 2, 1934
Case No. 34837-E

FUGITIVE WANTED BY

UNITED STATES MARSHAL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

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WILLIAM ELMER MEAD.

Aliases—John Henry Foster, J. W. Read, E. E. Laird, Edward E. Gaynor.

Age, 60 years in 1934; weight, 160 pounds; height, 5 feet 11 inches; eyes, blue; mouth, distorted by wound; native, Iowa; wife, Katherine Mead, also known as Marie Mead and Kate Schmitt, has relatives located in Portland, Oregon, and San Francisco, Calif. Residence, 1928 to 1934, at 1533 Fargo Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Convictions—San Quentin Prison, California, 1896; Canon City Prison, Colorado, 1923; London, England, 1930.

William Elmer Mead is a confidence or bunco man, "payoff" swindler, operating with a gang which obtained \$13,000 by false pretense at Jacksonville, Fla., on February 6, 1921, from P. C. Morton after causing bank to collect his draft by U. S. mail. Indicted December 15, 1922, in U. S. Court at Jacksonville, Fla.; arrested Canon City, Colo., September 15, 1925; forfeited bond on December 7, 1931, at Jacksonville, Fla.; arrested August 10, 1933, at Chicago, Ill. Case called April 2, 1934, at Jacksonville, Fla.; bond of \$10,000 forfeited. If located or arrested, hold as fugitive and telegraph government rate collect to nearest Post Office Inspector and United States Marshal, Jacksonville, Florida, and notify the Post Office Inspector in Charge at Atlanta, Ga., or at New York, N. Y.



Chicago, Ill., photo., August 10, 1933.

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The Myles Standish

BAY STATE ROAD AT BEACON STREET
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

No 6617

Date 6/28/35

Name *W. E. Carter*

Address *Atlanta Biltmore Hotel*

City *Atlanta*

Money, Jewels and other Valuable Packages must be placed in the office, otherwise the Management will not be responsible for any loss.

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
SEPTEMBER 3, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, dated 10-9-34, relating information to the effect that on September 22, 1934, a mail truck was robbed at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, by several unidentified individuals. Subsequent reports in possession of the Kansas City Office do not indicate that the identity of these individuals has ever been established.

For your information, Volney Davis confidentially advised this office that Jess Doyle, John Langdon, Jack Rich, and another individual whose identity he was not aware of, robbed this mail truck, believing that it contained a \$49,000.00 payroll. However, he learned their loot was negligible. It was also his information that Tom Hill of South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, eased this job.

He further stated that the \$1,000.00 bond found in the apartment of Jess Doyle at 23 Earner Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, in February, 1935, was part of this loot. However, this information is possibly incorrect in that the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City, Mo., dated 2-21-35, indicates that this bond was a \$1,000.00 City of Penbody, Kansas bond, serial number 36, which George Hatch, cashier of the Bank of Drexel, Drexel, Missouri, identified as one of several bonds taken during the robbery of that bank on December 13, 1934.

It is noted from Agent Shanahan's report that Jess Doyle admitted that Volney Davis, John Langdon, and himself robbed the above mentioned bank at which time the bond in question was taken.

Very truly yours,

AJH/wk
cc - Bureau ✓
Chicago
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E. E. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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P. O. Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
September 3, 1935.

Mr. Clinton H. Northcutt,
Postmaster,
Decatur, Arkansas.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1218 - FUGITIVE; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 20, 1935, with further reference to the tracing submitted to this office by you August 26, 1935, which was taken from a letter addressed to Mr. Lester L. Campbell, Corning, Missouri.

You were advised in a letter dated August 28, 1935, that the writing on the letter just referred to bore some resemblance to that of William Weaver, subject in the Bremer Kidnaping case. This individual has just been apprehended and the letter in question could not have been written by him.

Permit me again to thank you for the very splendid cooperation you have rendered this office in this investigation in your city.

Very truly yours,

R. L. SHIVERS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

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September 3, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I.O.#1218--
FUGITIVE, et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING

In the removal of subjects William Weaver and
Myrtle Eaton to St. Paul, Minnesota, on September 2, 1935, it
was necessary to loan the Agents who removed these subjects
one pair of handcuffs, #98517, and one pair of leg irons, both
with keys. It will be appreciated if you will return these
items to the Jacksonville office after they have served their
purpose.

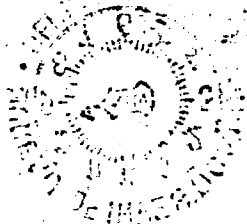
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R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MECHANICAL SECTION

Transmitted herewith is a memorandum containing data for Apprehension Order No. 354 on Myrtle Eaton, with aliases, Identification Order No. 1241.

Confirming telephonic advice of September 3, 1935, the identification data concerning Eaton should be withdrawn from the Pocket Identification Orders.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

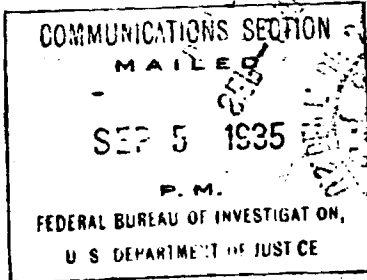
Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

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APPREHENSION ORDER
NO. 1241-354

Re: MYRTLE EATON, with aliases: Ruth Martin,
M. Ruth Martin, Ruth Hubbard, Sue Bond,
Sue Hubble, Alice Martin, Myrtle King -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Identification Order No. 1241 on the above named subject
is hereby canceled, inasmuch as she was apprehended at Allendale,
Florida, September 1, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,

Director.

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September 3, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O. #1218; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - Kidnaping.

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Leon Glen McGuirk, some time ago reported having seen Karpis and Weaver in the vicinity of bawdy houses in Jaurez, Mexico during August 11 and 12, 1935. It is noted that informant McGuirk has now disappeared and his information is found to be totally unreliable. No further information has been secured with regard to Karpis' presence in Jaurez, and the recent apprehension of William Weaver would indicate that there was no substance to the information furnished by McGuirk. You will also note that McGuirk has disappeared from Jaurez and El Paso, and his present whereabouts is unknown.

A memorandum was submitted to you under dated of August 28, 1935 reflecting the information which was furnished to the New York Office by Andrew Gurante. You will recall that he informed the New York Office that during the fall of 1934 he was negotiating with Joseph Adams for the installation of a gambling, dining and barroom in the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, and at this time observed several members of the Barker-Karpis gang in close association with Joe Adams.

The report of Special Agent F. J. Blake dated at Dallas, Texas August 26, 1935 in the above entitled case, discloses that one I. W. Maxwell has advised him in a very vague way that he, Maxwell, is acquainted with Karpis; that some time ago Maxwell was keeping company with a woman, name unknown, who has now joined up with Karpis; that while living with this woman, said woman and Karpis stole from him \$3,387. Informant Maxwell has declared that he last met Karpis on August 9, 1935 at Detroit, Michigan by pre-arrangement at the intersection of Oakland and Owens Streets. He stated that Karpis was then alone, but that he has allied with him three Jewish individuals. He

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further informed that Karpis and Campbell had split company over a woman. He alleged that Karpis frequents Windsor, Canada, particularly a settlement composed of Italians and Jews in Brooklyn, which is known as Brownsville; that he also frequents a place in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada operated by a bootlegger known as Bennie, who is of Jewish extraction; that Karpis also frequents what is known as the Oakland Sugar House in Detroit, Michigan which is operated by one Charlie Lightner of the Purple Mob. He further indicated that Karpis now has red hair.

Little credence is placed in the statements of Maxwell in view of his indefiniteness in furnishing information. It is noted, however, that he made no request for funds and did not desire to be paid for the information furnished. The Detroit Office is being requested to conduct appropriate investigation.

The most recent development in this case is the apprehension of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton by Special Agents of this Bureau at their chicken ranch in the vicinity of Allendale, Florida on September 1, 1935. William Weaver has admitted his participation in the Bremer kidnaping case, but has declined to sign a statement. Myrtle Eaton has admitted that she observed the photograph of William Weaver in numerous publications in which it was noted that he was a fugitive, and it is believed that a successful case of harboring can be instituted against her. It is suggested that this case be brought at Florida in view of the substantial sentences given to Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette who were also charged with harboring in that district.

On September 2, 1935 Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were removed to St. Paul, Minnesota by airplane, after signing a waiver of removal.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire
K. R. McIntire

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Post Office Box #512

Chicago, Illinois

August 24th, 1935

~~Personal and
Confidential~~

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Omaha Office to Special Agent in Charge Connelley dated August 22nd, 1935, and letter from the St. Paul Office to the Omaha Office dated August 23rd, 1935, both in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218, FUGITIVE; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

It is noted that both the Omaha and St. Paul Offices have received telephone calls during the early hours of the morning from one Charles W. Gilbride requesting the assistance of the Bureau in protecting the life of the widow of H. E. Hollis and her small son.

I desire to advise that Miss Helen Dunkel, Chief Clerk in the Chicago Bureau Office, confidentially informed the writer that about two or three weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Gilbride visited in Chicago with Mrs. Genevieve Hollis, who is employed in this Office as a Clerk-Typist; that within the past few days Mrs. Hollis has informed Miss Dunkel that she received a telephone call from Mr. Gilbride from Omaha, Nebraska, at five o'clock in the morning, at which time Mr. Gilbride was in a very intoxicated condition and that he stated the reason for his call was having observed that threatening letters have been sent to the Director by Alvin Karpis he was concerned about her well being and wanted her to exercise every possible precaution in order that no efforts would be made to in any way harm her.

Miss Dunkel further stated that Mrs. Hollis informed her that she had hung up the telephone on several occasions during this conversation and that Mr. Gilbride had called back.

It is apparent from the above that on the occasion of the calls made by Mr. Gilbride to both the Omaha and St. Paul Offices, he was

*See that Gilbride is given
a good dressing down*

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in an intoxicated condition. It should be noted that he refers to the fact that Apartment 1004 of the Sherone Apartments in Chicago should be watched and in this connection it should be pointed out that this is the apartment in which Genevieve Hollis resides.

No mention of this matter has been made by me to Mrs. Hollis. However, it is believed that Mr. Gilbride should be interviewed and vigorously cautioned against making telephone calls of the nature which he has been making.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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August 31, 1935

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. D. M. Ladd,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I have received your letter of August 24, 1935 advising of the various telephonic calls received from one Charles W. Gilbride, evidently of Omaha, Nebraska, who apparently in an intoxicated condition has demanded at various times that the Bureau take steps to protect Mrs. H. E. Hollis and her small son.

I desire that Charles W. Gilbride be located and interviewed at the earliest possible date and that he be informed in no uncertain terms that the Bureau will not tolerate further behavior of the type outlined above.

Copies of this letter are being directed to the St. Paul and Omaha offices of this Bureau, together with copies of your letter of August 24, 1935, in order that these offices will be thoroughly informed of the Bureau's desires in this matter. Since it appears that Mr. Gilbride is at the present time in the Omaha district, it will be the responsibility of the Special Agent in Charge of the Omaha Office to locate and interview him in accord with the instructions set out above.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

cc - Omaha (with incl.)
St. Paul (with incl.)

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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Time - 11:15 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Special Agent F. M. Hickey, acting in charge of the Washington Field Office, concerning the teletype from Mr. Connelley to that office, containing a lead for the Washington Field Office to interview one James White of Washington, for any information he may have concerning the activities of William Weaver, one of the subjects in the above case. I told Mr. Hickey I was informed James White is out on parole from a life sentence for murder, and it was believed if he was approached on the basis that if he doesn't come through with the information, we will prefer charges of harboring against him and thus send him back to the penitentiary, he would come through with the desired information.

I instructed Mr. Hickey to assign some good Agents to this interview, and to give the same immediate attention. He said that this matter will be taken care of directly after lunch.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Washington, D. C.

September 3, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:50 A.M.

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Colonel Gates called at my office. He referred to the publicity relative to William Weaver. I told him I knew nothing of the details. He said he had received a number of inquiries and I furnished him with six copies of the I.O. on Weaver and six copies of the I.O. on Myrtle Eaton, which appeared to satisfy him.

11:30 A.M.

Colonel Gates called on the telephone and requested some information on Harry Campbell. He was told that I would furnish him with copies of the I.O. on this man, which have been sent to him.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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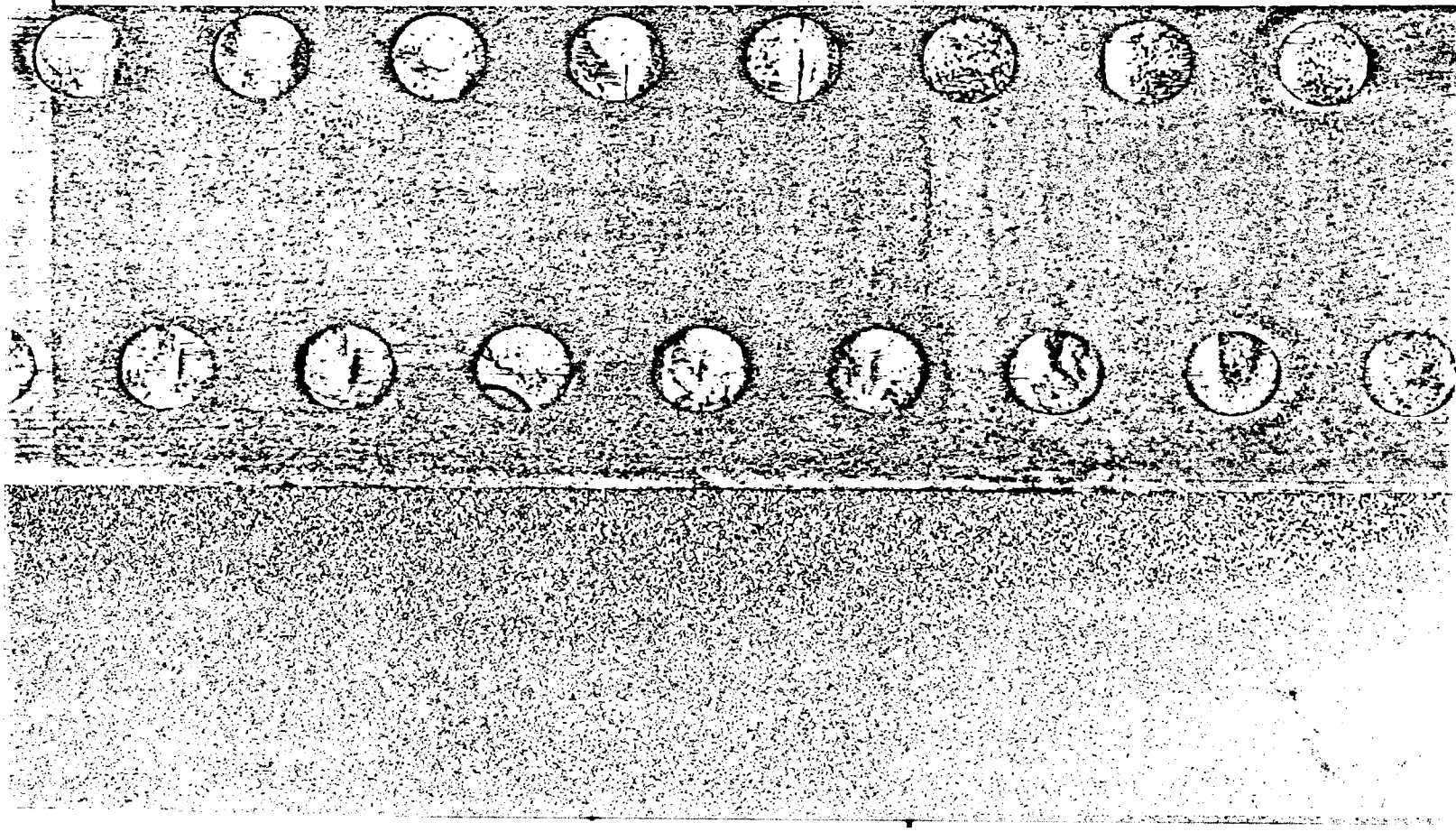
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Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

September 3, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I.O.1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
St. Paul file 7-30.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith memorandum copies of
Government Transportation Requests No. J-531,511 and
No. J-531,512, which were used in obtaining transpor-
tation for Irene Mynihan, matron, from Saint Paul,
Minnesota, to Jacksonville, Florida. Miss Mynihan was
employed at Jacksonville to accompany Myrtle Eaton from
that point to Saint Paul.

There is also attached Book No. B 53152-J of
Government Requests for Transportation, containing unused
transportation requests No. J-531,513 to No. J-531,520,
inclusive.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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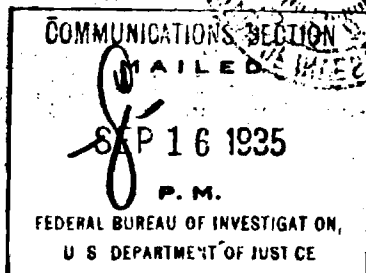
With reference to your letter of September 3, 1935, there is returned herewith Book No. B-53152-J containing Government Transportation Requests from which you issued the requests necessary for the transportation of Miss Irene Wynihan, the matron who accompanied Myrtle Eaton from Jacksonville, Florida.

It will be necessary for you to list these requests on your next expense voucher, indicating that they were used to purchase transportation for a confidential informant. The receipt for the book should be executed by you and the balance of the book may be used for other official travel which you will make.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Encl. #596035.



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U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 1276

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

September 4, 1935

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, - FUGITIVE
I. O. #1218, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to a letter of September 3, 1935, from the Kansas City Office wherein it is stated that information has been obtained from Volney Davis to the effect that Jess Doyle, John Langdon and Jack Rich and another individual whose identity is not known, robbed a mail truck at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, on September 22, 1934.

I should like to be advised by the Bureau whether it will be satisfactory to divulge this information, at this time, to the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, who are handling the investigation of the case. Of course this information will not be furnished the Post Office Inspectors, pending advices from the Bureau in respect thereto.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

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September 14, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1518, ET AL,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

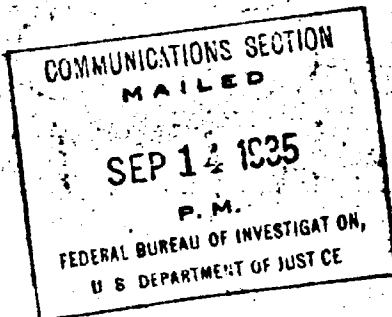
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of September 4, 1935, in which you inquire whether it would be satisfactory to divulge to the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, Oklahoma, the information furnished by Volney Davis to the effect that Jess Doyle, John Langdon, Jack Rich, and another individual whose identity is not known, robbed a mail truck at South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, on September 22, 1934.

Please be advised that the Bureau sees no objection to imparting this information to the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, provided you inform them the information was obtained through a confidential source. You should in no manner indicate to them that the information was received from Volney Davis. His name should be guarded in all instances.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

September 5, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward G. Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING; HARBOR-
ING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

With reference to letter of the Kansas City office dated August 29, 1935 as to Special Agent John L. Madala proceeding to Kansas City at a future date for the purpose of interviewing Edna Murray at the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri, and Elmer Farmer at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, due to the most recent developments at Chicago, and the possibility of certain material developments indicating the location of the remaining subjects in this case it will not be possible for Agent Madala to proceed to Kansas City for some time.

In the meantime it is believed satisfactory and desirable that the Kansas City office conduct the interviews with these two persons as to any pertinent information which they may give, and should it be necessary, at a later date Agent Madala or Agent Brown can interview these two persons in order to supplement the information obtained and to coordinate such information with our particular knowledge of the various situations as to developments here in Chicago.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
September 5, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I. O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

On January 13, 1934, Mr. R. N. McCord, together with two companions, Messrs. H. W. Cowin and Robert Leuhning, were attacked by unknown individuals at the corner of Portland Avenue and St. Albans Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. McCord was seriously wounded by machine gun fire, at which time he was dressed in the airway's uniform, being at that time employed by the Northwest Airlines. His companions were similarly dressed and it is believed that the attackers believed Mr. McCord and his companions were police officers.

Several exhibits were secured at the scene of the crime and from the body of Mr. McCord, which exhibits were forwarded to the Technical Laboratory on March 9, 1934, and were returned to the St. Paul Police Department on March 27, 1934; however, since that time numerous guns have been seized from the Karpis-Barker mob, who are thought to be responsible for the attack. Therefore, Acting Chief G. H. Barfuss of the St. Paul Police Department has requested, through Lieutenant Tom Grace, that the appropriate Technical Laboratory examination be made of these exhibits with specimens secured from the various guns seized from the Karpis-Barker mob.

Lieutenant Tom Grace turned over to Special Agent R. C. Suran, the following exhibits, which are being transmitted to the Bureau under separate cover by registered mail:

St. Paul PD Exhibit #1: One slug found in operating room of St. Joseph's Hospital after Mr. McCord was undressed.

St. Paul PD Exhibit #2: One slug taken from body of McCord by Dr. Hilger.

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Copy and Specimens Retained in Laboratory

St. Paul PD Exhibit #3: Two slugs turned over to Officer Moore by Mrs. James Gray, 683 Portland Avenue, St. Paul, Minn.

St. Paul PD Exhibit #4: Five slugs secured at the scene of shooting at Portland and St. Albans St., St. Paul, Minn., and one .45 shell case found at scene of shooting.

Mr. McCord has viewed the various members of the Karpis-Barker gang that have been apprehended, including WILLIAM WEAVER. Mr. McCord states that the physical description of WILLIAM WEAVER fits that of the unknown persons who fired at him with a machine gun; however, Mr. McCord is unable to make a positive identification.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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September 5, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case
Activities of Attorneys Herbert F.
Callahan and James P. Mahoney in
Securing the Release of William E.
Meade from Northampton, Massachusetts
Police Department on July 14, 1935.

In keeping with the Bureau's request to investigate the activities on the part of Attorneys Herbert F. Callahan and James P. Mahoney in effecting the release of William E. Meade, the Boston Office has furnished the following information:

At the time that Meade was released through the efforts of Attorney James P. Mahoney of Springfield, Massachusetts, the latter advised an Agent of the Boston Office that he knew nothing concerning the matter but had received a telephone call from Attorney Callahan in Boston asking him, Mahoney, to cash a money order which had been sent to him in arranging for Meade's release. After Meade's release, he rode in Mahoney's automobile from Northampton to Springfield, Massachusetts, but Mahoney advised that Meade disclosed no information during the course of the drive. Meade left Mahoney's car at the corner of Bridge and Dwight Streets, Springfield, Massachusetts, without advising where he could be located.

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Mahoney was admitted to the Massachusetts State Bar in January, 1923, having failed to pass the Bar examination in July, 1922. He was born July 6, 1895, and received his LL. B. degree in 1922 from Boston University Law School. The investigation concerning Mahoney to date has disclosed that his legal practice is almost entirely civil, and that he has perhaps three or four criminal cases each year. He is considered highly ethical. Investigation conducted at the State and County Grievance Committees disclosed that no complaints have been filed against him. He maintains a good reputation and is well considered by members of the legal profession. It is noted that Mahoney has instituted proceedings against Chief of Police Bresnahan and Sergeant H. J. Kelley for the recovery of the car taken by them from Meade which was confiscated by the Northampton, Massachusetts Police Department and later turned over by them to the Postal Inspectors. Shortly after arranging for the release of Meade,

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Mahoney went to Europe and is not expected to return until approximately September 15, 1935. James P. Moriarty, District Attorney, Springfield, Massachusetts, advised that he could find no fault with Mahoney.

Attorney Herbert P. Callahan is considered one of Boston's most brilliant criminal lawyers. He was interviewed by an Agent and was very deliberate in his answers. He advised that when he obtained the release of Meade, alias C. E. Carter, from the Northampton, Massachusetts Police Department he was not aware that Carter was identical with William E. Meade. He advised that on Saturday, July 13, 1935, one Frank Sweeney, previously unknown to Callahan, called upon him at which time Sweeney stated that his friend, C. E. Carter, was being held by the Northampton, Massachusetts Police Department in default of \$200.00 bond and charged with improper registration of an automobile. Callahan stated that he verified this information through a telephone call to the Northampton, Massachusetts Police Department, and that he subsequently met Sweeney at a night club known as the Coconut Grove when Sweeney gave him \$200.00 in cash plus his fee, asking that Callahan arrange for Carter's release. Callahan stated that he sent this money to James P. Mahoney of Springfield, Massachusetts, after having telephonically asked Mahoney to handle this matter. Callahan declared that he has not seen Sweeney or Meade since the above mentioned transaction took place. Callahan could furnish no information as to where Sweeney might be located and furnished a very meagre and hazy description of Sweeney.

Callahan admitted that he was contacted by William E. Meade something over a year ago when Meade came into his office to discuss the facts of a case in Florida pending against him, Meade, and involving his operation of a confidence game. Callahan refused to discuss the details of this conversation with Meade on this occasion.

Callahan was born September 20, 1885, and was graduated from Boston University Law School in June, 1906, and was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in 1907. Callahan was arrested on October 28, 1918, on a charge of drunkenness. No disposition was given of this case except that it was placed on file. Raymond T. Parke, Secretary of the Grievance Committee of the Boston Bar Association, has known Callahan for many years. He stated that Callahan has a wide contact with the criminal element in the East as well as the Police Department in Boston; that it is common knowledge that when crooks intend to operate in Boston, they first contact "Herbie"

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Callahan and outline their plans for his approval. The records of the Grievance Committee reflect that two complaints have been filed against Callahan. The first complaint was filed May 9, 1929, and arose out of a case which had been handled by Callahan in which his client alleged that he, Callahan, had charged too high a fee. Nothing ever resulted from this complaint. The second complaint was filed in August, 1930, but there were no records with the Grievance Committee disclosing the nature or the disposition of this complaint.

The Boston Office has been requested to conduct a very thorough investigation in this matter and to submit frequent reports to the Bureau.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
September 4, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
I.O.1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-30

There is being transmitted to the Bureau under separate cover one set of Tower double-lock leg irons. These irons were used by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley in transporting WILLIAM WEAVER from Jacksonville, Florida, to St. Paul. When an attempt was made to unlock the leg irons it was found that one was faulty, and in order to remove same from the leg of WEAVER it was necessary to use a hacksaw.

During my conversation with Mr. Connelley he informed me that he has experienced some difficulty with the Tower leg irons in the past, stating that the keys seem to be made of such a soft metal that they easily get out of order, thereby making the leg irons worthless. I understand that he is writing the Bureau suggesting that this matter be taken up with the manufacturer of the leg irons in order that the Bureau may be reimbursed for the leg irons mentioned in this letter, and so that keys of a better metal may be manufactured and supplied to each Bureau office.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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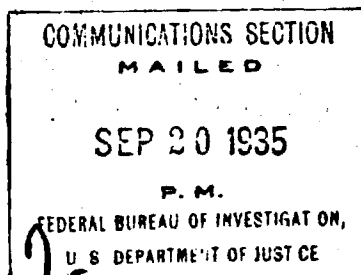
Reference is made to the set of Tower double-lock leg irons which were forwarded to the Bureau with the information that it had been necessary to use a hacksaw on one of the irons due to the key not functioning.

I desire to advise you that this matter has been brought to the attention of the Supply Division of the Department with the request that more substantial keys be furnished if at all possible.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

St. Louis FILE NO. **9-45**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Louis, Mo.	DATE WHEN MADE: 9-5-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8-27-35	REPORT MADE BY: D. S. HOSTETTER DSH:F
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases I.O.#1218-FUGITIVE, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Better photograph of William J. Harrison not secured in St. Louis, Mo. Dr. Schaffer, Veterinarian, Carmi, Ill. is reported to resemble Dr. Joseph P. Moran. Identity will be determined within the near future. Registration records, Empire Hotel, Springfield, Ill. not available at present. Other investigation conducted fails to indicate that William E. Meade is known at Springfield, Ill. Mrs. Edith Kistler, tuberculosis patient, Outlook Sanitarium, Urbana, Ill. is corresponding with Campbell family at Tulsa, Okla. No indication that this correspondence concerns Harry Campbell subject of this case.			
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. M. Jones, Chicago, Ill. dated 7-18-35. Letter from the Chicago Office dated 8-15-35 Letter from the Oklahoma City Office dated 8-15-35. Report of Special Agent P. M. Plunkett, Boston, Mass. dated 7-20-35.			
DETAILS: AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI			
Confidential informant [redacted] re-contacted in an effort to obtain a photograph of William J. Harrison; inasmuch as the Chicago Bureau Office letter dated August 15, 1935 indicates that the photograph taken of this subject by the Hammond Police Department, is not a good likeness of Harrison. [redacted] advised that she did not have a photograph of Harrison; that the photograph of this individual as appearing on I.O.#1239 is the only photograph			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>J. C. [signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 7-576-7267 SEP - 7 AM. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: ONE TWO THREE FOUR FIVE SIX SEVEN EIGHT NINE TEN ELEVEN TWELVE		RECORDED AND INDEXED: SEP 7 1935 CHECKED OFF: SEP 11 1935 JACKETED:
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of Harrison that she remembers seeing during her association with him. She stated that in her opinion the photograph of Harrison as appearing on I.O.#1239 was a good likeness of this subject with the exception that Harrison has a more or less permanent smile and is continuously playing the part of a clown. She stated that it was her impression that this photograph portrayed Harrison at a time when he was undoubtedly pouting and angry because of his arrest. She further stated that Mrs. Harrison had never displayed a recent photograph of Willie to her but had exhibited a photograph of Harrison taken when he was a boy and it is her opinion that Harrison's immediate family does not have a more recent photograph.

In view of the above information and the further fact that it is not believed that the Harrison family would furnish such a photograph even if they had one in their possession, it is deemed inadvisable to contact them for that purpose.

Special Agent H. A. Loughran of the St. Louis Bureau Office has submitted a memorandum wherein it is stated that the night clerk at the Hotel Saline of Harrisburg, Illinois recently informed him that Dr. Schaffer, veterinarian from Carmi, Illinois bears a very striking resemblance to Dr. Joseph P. Moran. This night clerk further stated that Dr. Schaffer is about five feet nine inches tall, about 36 years of age, has sandy hair and greatly resembles the front view of Dr. Joseph P. Moran as appearing upon I.O.#1232. At a very early date an investigation will be instituted at Carmi, Illinois for the purpose of definitely ascertaining whether Dr. Schaffer is identical with Dr. Joseph P. Moran subject of this case.

AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Special Agent V. J. Wolfe conducted an investigation at Springfield, Illinois in an effort to secure information concerning William E. Meade and submitted the following memorandum:

* Mr. John Connors, Jr., manager Empire Hotel, Springfield, Illinois stated that William E. Meade was unknown to him by that name or any of his aliases. Mr. Connors was unable to recognize the picture of subject. Agent was advised that it was a common practice for people to drive to Springfield, Illinois and purchase their automobile license plates giving anyone of the local hotels as their address, the procedure being to avoid paying the Chicago wheel tax. Mr. Connors stated that the registration records of the hotel for 1932 and 1933 were presently in the hands of the auditor and would not be available for sometime.

"Mac" McCully, bellboy, Empire Hotel, stated that he believed he had seen a party resembling Meade a number of years ago although he knew nothing concerning him and added that he would not say positive as to his identification,

AT URBANA, ILLINOIS

On August 15, 1935 the Oklahoma City Office advised by letter that mail tracings had been received on mail delivered to the home of George C. Campbell, 818 S. Rockford St., Tulsa, Oklahoma the home of Harry Campbell. This letter indicated that five letters, apparently written by the same individual, had been delivered to relatives of Harry Campbell at Tulsa, Oklahoma and that the most mentioned letter was postmarked at Urbana, Illinois and bore a return address of Kistler, Outlook Inn, Urbana, Illinois. In this connection, subsequent investigation at Urbana, Illinois indicates that Mrs. Edith Kistler, a patient at The Outlook, Champaign County, Tuberculosis Sanitarium, Urbana, Illinois is undoubtedly the author of the above mentioned letters.

Dr. R. G. Bell, Superintendent, The Outlook Tuberculosis Sanitarium Urbana, Illinois, advised that Mrs. Edith Kistler had been admitted as an advanced tubercular patient on August 5, 1935; that for the past year she has lived with her sister Mrs. A. E. Hill at 502 S. Broadway Urbana, Illinois. He advised that, upon examining the hospitalization records, Mrs. Edith Kistler was born at Decatur, Illinois on January 20, 1897; that she was a registered nurse having graduated from the Decatur Macon Hospital at Decatur, Illinois; that she was the divorced wife of Edmond B. Kistler and had formerly made her residence at Tulsa, Oklahoma in which locality she had been employed as a nurse and upon one occasion was employed in a Government Hospital in Colorado.

Subsequent investigation indicated that Albert Edward Hill the brother-in-law of Mrs. Edith Kistler, was employed as a machinist at the Big Four Railroad Shops at Urbana, Illinois. An examination of his personnel record reflected that he was born at Mattoon, Illinois and had been employed at Mattoon, Illinois as a machinist by the Big Four Railroad from 1909 to 1917 and that he had been employed in a similar capacity from 1923 to 1935 at Urbana, Illinois.

Albert Edward Hill advised that he resided with his wife at 502 S. Broadway, Urbana, Illinois. He stated that his wife had two sisters namely Mrs. Maud Woolsey, 615 West 9th St., Tulsa, Oklahoma and Mrs. Edith Kistler who is now confined as a tubercular patient in The Outlook Sanitarium at Urbana, Illinois. In connection with Mrs. Edith Kistler, he stated that her maiden name was Edith Wilson and that she was born and raised at Decatur, Illinois; that she was a graduate nurse and had married Edmond Byron Kistler of Cisco, Illinois and resided with him for

a few years on a farm near Decatur, Illinois; that in 1928 Mr. and Mrs. Kistler left this farm and went to Tulsa, Oklahoma at which place Edmond Byron Kistler was employed by the Stutz and Chevrolet Company as a salesman, and was subsequently employed by the Sun Oil Company on a lease at Hominy, Oklahoma. Mr. Hill further advised that Kistler was an unreliable drunkard and sometime during 1930, forged a check on a creamery company in Tulsa, Oklahoma with the results that he was ordered out of town by the Police and his wife Edith Kistler divorced him. Mr. Hill further advised that Edith Kistler was employed as a nurse at the Morningside Hospital, Tulsa, Oklahoma by the Kistler Bone and Joint Clinic, Tulsa, Oklahoma and further that upon her husband's forced departure, she was employed by the Government as a nurse at Fort Harrison in the State of Montana and subsequently employed in the same capacity at Fort Lyons, Colorado and that upon being furloughed from the last mentioned place of employment, she returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma and was re-employed at the Morningside Hospital. Mr. Hill further advised that Mr. and Mrs. Kistler lived with Mrs. Maud Woolsey for a short time after their arrival in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1928 at which time they purchased on installment, a home in the 800 block on North Rockford St. and that at the present time Mrs. Kistler is the owner of this property. He further stated that he is of the opinion that Mrs. Kistler lived at the above address from 1928 until the first of 1932 and that shortly after her husband's departure she began renting this house. Mr. Hill then stated that Edith Kistler left Tulsa, Oklahoma and returned to Urbana, Illinois on July 27, 1934 a victim of tuberculosis, and that since that date, she has been confined to bed. Mr. Hill further stated that Edith Kistler had informed him that a Campbell family were her neighbors in Tulsa, Oklahoma; that she became more or less friendly with the Campbells inasmuch as it was necessary for her to request them to care for her two young boys while she was working in the event her husband should return home in one of his drunken rages. Mr. Hill further advised that Edith Kistler since her return, advised him that this Campbell family had a boy named Harry Campbell whom she had seen in Tulsa, Oklahoma; that Harry Campbell had been forced to leave Tulsa after being implicated in a murder and that since that time he had, according to the newspapers, become associated with Alvin Karpis and was one of the participants in the Bremer Kidnaping case. He further stated that his sister-in-law corresponded with the Campbell family in Tulsa, Oklahoma but that he was certain that this correspondence never concerned Harry Campbell who was only a chance acquaintance and who apparently had not resided in Tulsa, Oklahoma for any length of time during his sister-in-law's residence in that locality.

Mr. Hill stated that Edith Kistler had on one occasion mentioned that she had been questioned by police officers at Fort

Harrison, Montana concerning mail which she had received from the Campbell family at Tulsa, Oklahoma. He further stated that Edith Kistler's past experience with her own husband and his petty criminal activities, would undoubtedly prevent her from becoming friendly with an individual like Harry Campbell.

Mrs. Edith Kistler was only interviewed for a short period in view of her present physical condition. She stated that she was living next door to the Campbell family in Tulsa, Oklahoma and remembers when Harry Campbell, his wife and their small daughter returned to Tulsa, Oklahoma allegedly from some western oil fields; that shortly thereafter Harry Campbell's wife and daughter left Tulsa, Oklahoma and that she was under the impression that Mrs. Campbell returned to the home of her parents in the state of Texas. She further stated that she was acquainted with Harry Campbell and that he came to her home on two occasions to use a telephone during this period. She stated however that Harry Campbell hurriedly left Tulsa, Oklahoma after a murder had been committed in that vicinity and that she had never questioned the Campbell family concerning their son's whereabouts and that she does not recall that any of the family ever mentioned Harry Campbell to her since that date. She stated that Mr. and Mrs. Campbell had been very kind to her and had assisted her in raising her two young sons at a time when she was forced, through necessity, to work. She further advised that since that date she had corresponded with the Campbell family more or less irregularly, but that since her confinement in bed, she has written them on an average of at least once a month. She advised that she never mentioned Harry Campbell's name in any of these letters and that the return correspondence which she received never contained any information concerning this individual. In view of the above information it appears that further inquiries at Urbana, Illinois were unnecessary.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

ST. LOUIS OFFICE at Carmi, Illinois will definitely determine whether Dr. Schaffer is identical with Dr. Joseph P. Moran I.O.#1232.

At Springfield, Illinois will upon the return of the Empire Hotel Registration records, conduct an examination thereof in attempting to secure further information concerning William E. Meade with aliases.

PENDING.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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September 6, 1935.

Time-6:02 P. M.

MEMORANDUM

RE: Story in Newspaper that Director
is leading hunt for Alvin Karpis.

Handwritten: 2/11/35

I telephoned the Director and read to him, over the telephone, the story carried by the Washington Times to the effect that the Director was personally leading a squad of Agents in the hunt for Alvin Karpis; that the paper also carried a story to the effect that the Director had turned down a fifty thousand dollar contract to broadcast over the radio.

The Director instructed that if any inquiries are made due to this story, that no comments be given to anyone; that the persons inquiring be told that the Director is out of town on official business.

Handwritten signature: T. D. Quinn.

T. D. Quinn.

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FBI CHICAGO 9-5-35 9-12 AM MWC

DIRECTOR

PHONE. BREKID. HAVE ARRANGED FOR TWO AGENTS TO BE AVAILABLE IN

[REDACTED] OF OUR INFORMANT WHO IS

CONTACTING EDITH BERRY AND HAVE RADIOPHONE SET UP [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO WILL ARRANGE SAME SO WE CAN HEAR ANY CONVERSATION

IN OFFICE. THIS BUILDING WHERE WE HAVE APARTMENT HAS NO TELEPHONE

AND AUTHORITY REQUESTED FOR EXPENDITURE INSTALLING TEMPORARY TELEPHONE

TODAY AND \$9-00 PER WEEK FOR APARTMENT TWO WEEKS. WE ARE CHECKING

FURTHER TO IDENTIFY SUPPOSED BODY OF W. J. HARRISON PARTICULARLY

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

September 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. 1236
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I. O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I. O. 1239
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I. O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

With reference to report of Special Agent in Charge F. J. Blake, Dallas, Texas dated August 26, 1935, as to information being furnished by I. W. MAXWELL, in telephone conversation with Mr. Blake he advised me that Maxwell furnished him with further information to the effect that Karpis was maintaining two places of residence in Cleveland, Ohio, one of which is at 63rd and Scoville, Cleveland, Ohio, this being an apartment house. The apartment which Karpis is using is the one as one enters the building and proceeds to the second floor, the apartment being on the right side in the rear.

Maxwell also stated that Karpis has another apartment located at the corner of 102nd Street and Superior; that this apartment is located on the first floor, and as one enters the apartment the door of Karpis' apartment is right in front as one goes in, this being the apartment on the left in front of one as one goes into the building. Apparently Maxwell indicates that he was last in Cleveland four or five months ago; that the girl concerned in this matter as to which the differences arose between himself and Karpis is one BOBBY KERNIGAN, of Hutchinson, Kansas. This girl is supposed to be about twenty three years of age, 5 feet 4 inches in height, weight 118 pounds; dark brown hair; eyes supposedly gray. This informant indicated he had a letter on August 27th which came from Cleveland, Ohio which indicated that Karpis was trying to get in touch with him, and for him (Maxwell) to come to Detroit to the place of Charlie Lightner, where he (Maxwell) was to request advice as to how he could get in touch with Ray; that Karpis also asked him where the guns were.

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Apparently Maxwell is trying to create the impression that Karpis wants him to come up there in order that he may kill him. Maxwell however, indicated he had shown this letter to another party and thereafter destroyed it. Inquiry of this other party however, indicated that he had not seen such letter, which casts some doubt upon the accuracy of the statements of this party Maxwell.

However, it is believed that it would be desirable for Agent C. E. Smith, who due to developments in this case is returning to Cleveland ~~soon~~, to make some discreet inquiry as to whether or not such apartment houses are located at the addresses given and the possible identity of the persons living in these apartment houses, same being conducted of course in a discreet manner, in order not to cause Karpis to leave should he be there.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

Special Agent in Charge.

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
SEPTEMBER 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, Et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are two copies of the report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, August 24, 1935, in the above captioned matter.

Two copies of this report are also being sent to the Cleveland office as well as one copy to Little Rock, St. Louis, Oklahoma City and Omaha, for the information of those offices.

Very truly yours,

E. F. CONROY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

September 4, 1935.

Honorable E. B. Freed,
United States Attorney,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Freed:

RE: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
vs.
FORD V8 DeLUXE COUPE,
1934 Model, Motor #683482
Harry Campbell

This letter pertains to the matter of the above described seized automobile about which I talked to you yesterday.

On September 11, 1934 the above mentioned car was abandoned by Harry Campbell, one of the fugitives in the Bremer kidnaping case, at 7009 Franklin Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

This car was originally purchased by Campbell under the name of George Winfield from the Jess J. Ellis Motor Company, Toledo, Ohio.

On November 11, 1934 you filed, in the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, a libel of information in forfeiture, which effected the vesting of title to the said car in the United States and authorizing the delivery and retention of the said car by the Division of Investigation, against all persons excepting the true owners thereof.

The Division of Investigation, which is, as you know, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, is desirous of effecting the delivery of this car to the United States District Court for such disposition as the said court may see fit to make of it and accordingly is transmitting herewith the Michigan Certificate of Title #0573803 therefor, together with the Michigan Certificate of Registration showing it to be registered in the name of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, 907 Federal Building, Detroit, Michigan. This car bears

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1935 Michigan tag #K1866 and is at present stored in the Metropolitan Garage, 1277 West Third Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

The Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Detroit office, as you will note from the Certificate of Title, has transferred title to the said car to the United States Marshal, Northern District of Ohio.

In the event that this car is ordered sold by the United States District Court, it should be sold subject to storage charges which will accrue against the said car in the Metropolitan Garage, Cleveland, Ohio from the date of its storage therein, to-wit, September 2, 1935, to the date of sale and removal therefrom, and whoever succeeds the Division of Investigation in title thereto, will be responsible for the storage charges accruing thereon.

Very truly yours,

JPM/EJB
Enclosures
CC - Detroit/
- Bureau

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

P. O. Box #2344
Boston, Mass.

September 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O. 1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. 1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O. 1241; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
Chicago File 7-52

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from SAC E. J. Connelley to the Boston Office dated August 16, 1935 and to a letter dated July 21, 1935 from SAC E. J. Connelley to the Director concerning the circularization of all banks in field office districts for information as to the location of certain \$1,000.00 bills issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta which were thought to be in the possession of fugitives in this file.

This is to advise you that circular letters requesting each bank within the Boston Field Office territory to watch for these bills both in their present cash and in future incoming money have been sent. As of this date no bank in this territory has indicated that any of the subject bills have come into its possession.

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C. C. St. Paul
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Very truly yours,

C. D. McREAN
Special Agent in Charge.

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1616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
SEPTEMBER 5, 1935.

E. J. Connelley
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1900 Bankers Building
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1218, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Transmitted herewith is a letter dated August 9, 1935,
written by Volney Davis, register number 47101, United States
Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, to Edward G. Bremer, Commercial
National Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota.

This letter was given to Special Agent A. E. Farland by
Davis after a recent interview at the penitentiary, with the request
that after its contents had been noted it be mailed to Mr. Bremer.
It is respectfully requested that after the contents of this letter
have been noted, if no objectionable matter is found therein, it be
transmitted to Mr. Bremer at St. Paul.

Copy of the letter written by Volney Davis is being trans-
mitted to the Bureau and interested offices with copy of this letter
for their information.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Aug 9 - 1935

Comercial National Bank St. Paul Minn.

Mr. Edward G. Bremer;

Dear Sir:-

In beginning I am not expecting any thing at the present time, but I do hope to get something done for me in the future. And in Writing these lines I hope to show you that my intentions are good and that if I ever do gain my liberty again I will certainly keep it. I also hope to do some good for the wrongs I have done. If I didn't intend to completely change my ways and become an honest and upright person, I would never think of doing the things I intend to do. For what I intend to do will completely ostracize my from the class known in here as right guys. But I don't want to ever be associated with that class of people again, in here are out side. So in doing as I am it will only help me to succeed in what I have determined to do. I know I will be confined a long time and I want to conduct my self so that I can prove to every one that I intend to do what is right.

I intend to cooperate with the Department of Justice in every way I can to try to help right some of the wrong I have done, regardless of what has been said I was not connected with this crime until after you were grabbed. And I hope to prove this some time. I only wish I had of come to my sense before this crime was committed. I could have been able to have foiled them in their plans and have kept you from suffering and some others from death at their hands.

But it is never to late to do good so therefore I will try to atone for my part in one of the most cowardly crimes that can be committed by the human race. I only hope and wish that I was a good enough orator and had the education and of course the chance to tell my story to the coming generation and to the boys that are contemplating a life of crime. If I could just explain the awful heart rendering and anguish one must suffer. If I could just explain in words the things that are in my heart. I know I could keep many if not all that I could talk to from ever thinking are contemplating on entering into a life of crime. If I could just express the feeling of a hunted man and the strain on ones mind of suddenly being detected are recognized by an officer. And the feeling of ever having to be alert and watching every move you make to keep from becoming conspicuous are making yourself suspicious. If I could just explain these things to the young people of this country. I would feel deep in my heart that my life had been spared for something good and after all it was not a failure.

I would like for you to keep this letter and don't destroy it on first thought. Read it over again some time. For I did not write it on snap judgment but after studying it over from every angle and thoroughly con-

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sidering it as the only way I could ever atone for what I have done.

I have wrote this letter here in my cell on what is called Isolation where I have been for the past two months by myself and with out the help are suggestions from any one. So please think it over.

No matter what kind of a reply I get from you even tho it isn't any, it will not change me one iota are deter me any from carring out my plans, as I have made them. I only wish I had of given as much thought to other things that I have started as I have to this I would surly not be here. But being from a very poor family and helping to support them since I was 9 years old. I associated with the wrong class of boys and got in bad. I sold newspapers and bought my parents a home and it was at this work I drifted into bad company.

But the rest of my life I will be a promoter of honesty and right living. I will also try to discourage any and all who will listen to me from entering into a life of crime.

I wont make this letter to long as I know your time is valuable. But I hope you can see yourself justifiable in answering this and giving me some kind of reply and incouragment. I am 33 years of age and have served two sentences in prison this first was three years for breaking into a shoe store and taking a few pair of shoes when I was 16 years old and I plead guilty to the charge. Served my time as a modle prisoner and was released. A short time afterward I was arrested and charged with the murder of a man I never saw. I plead not guilty and offered no defense as my lawyer told me they hadn't made a case against me. But I was sentenced to life after I was there a few years another man made a full confession of the murder and I couldn't get enough money to get out there. So I served eleven years before This gang that I was connected with in this case put up enough money to get me out, and It was because of this I was connected with them. I thought I was obligated to them. The case I just mentioned is similar to the one in your state where Leonard Hankins is serving life for a crime that this gang committed and yet he can't get out. All of this can be ascertained if it is investigated.

So please give my case some thought and in the years to come I hope you will help me. I know I should do some time but surly I shouldn't stay here for the rest of my life.

I will close with sorrow and regret in my heart for what I have done.

Volney Davis, #47101.

318 Security Building
Phoenix, Arizona
August 30, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O.1236;
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O.1238;
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O.1241; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
Kidnaping; Harboring & Obstruction of Justice;
National Firearms Act.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request of August 16, 1935, in the above entitled matter, please be advised that all banks in the State of Arizona have been requested to advise this office in the event they should have in their possession any \$1000.00 notes issued by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank beginning with serial number F-00022451A and ending with F-00022500A.

Each of the banks above mentioned have also been requested to post conspicuously in the banking house for the information of all persons connected with the bank who handle currency the above numbers, in order that this office may be notified immediately of the attempt of any person to pass one of these notes.

Two copies of the circular letter above mentioned are being furnished for your information.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. #1218; et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim.

On January 22, 1935 William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, together with other members of the Barker-Karpis gang, were indicted by a Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, charged with conspiracy to kidnap Edward George Bremer of St. Paul, Minnesota. On the same date William Weaver, together with other members of the Barker-Karpis gang, was indicted on the substantive offense of kidnaping Edward George Bremer.

An exhaustive investigation has been conducted by this Bureau looking toward the apprehension of William Weaver since the time that he was identified as a member of the Barker-Karpis gang. He was identified within a few weeks after the release of Edward George Bremer at Rochester, Minnesota, on February 7, 1934.

As a result of this investigation Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, ascertained that William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, his paramour, were living together as man and wife on a small chicken ranch in the vicinity of Allandale, Florida. Myrtle Eaton and William Weaver were apprehended by Special Agents of this Bureau at their home near Allandale, Florida on September 1, 1935 and after waiving removal were removed to St. Paul, Minnesota, on September 2, 1935.

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AUG 27 1935
Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I. O. 1218,
Fugitive; et al. Edward George Bremer,
Victim. - Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:-

At 2:00 A.M., August 22, 1935, one Charles William Gilbride telephoned this Bureau office and made known that he resided at 1214-14th Street, Des Moines, Iowa, but was then in Omaha, Nebraska. He would not furnish his local address.

At the beginning of the telephone conversation, he inquired whether the night typist at this office, to whom he talked, could tell him where ALVIN KARPIS and HARRY CAMPBELL were born; then, Gilbride inquired if Harry Campbell was a scientist. Gilbride claimed Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis were together and hiding in Chicago. He said Apartment No. 1004 of the Sherone Apartments, 4423 Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois should be watched and that Genieve Hollis, lived at this address and either CAMPBELL or KARPIS was going there to "get her", or else she was trying to "cover" them. Gilbride also suggested that the Bankers Building, in Chicago, be checked. He claimed that Herman E. Hollis, deceased, former Agent of this Bureau, was one of his dearest friends.

The night typist, in the memorandum which he left for me, expressed the belief that Gilbride was intoxicated at the time he called the office and that Gilbride also suggested that 2804 Collis Avenue, in Seattle, Washington, be checked.

Mr. Gilbride seemed to know a great deal about the activities of the Bureau, according to the night typist of this office. It is believed that Genieve Hollis is the widow of Herman Hollis and, of course, it is known that the Chicago Office of this Bureau is located in the Bankers Building.

I cannot vouch for the value of this information and it may only be the loose talk of an intoxicated person, but I do not believe

W. J. Connelley
8/27/35

that any information advanced, tending to bring about the location of Karpis and Campbell should be overlooked and for that reason, this information is being furnished you for such value as it may have.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. DOWD,
Special Agent in Charge

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CC Chicago Office

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-82

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE 9/5/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/5,6, 9-18, 31/35.	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN DPS:GLC
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TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O.1236;
WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases, I.O.1238;
WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O.1239;
MYRTLE EATON, with aliases, I.O.1241, et al.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.

CHARACTER OF CASE
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REFERENCES: Teletypes from the Salt Lake City and San Francisco Offices dated August 5, 1935.
Bureau letter dated August 7, 1935.

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With reference to report of Special Agent A. Hale Watkins, Atlanta, Georgia, dated July 20, 1935, the following investigation was conducted by the writer on August 1, 1935.

Telephonic communication with the Drake Hotel, Chicago, resulted in the information that Max C. Carpenter was residing at the Brewster Hotel, 500 Diversey Parkway, and was presently employed at the Drake Hotel as a clerk.

Inasmuch as the Drake Hotel is one of the best hotels in the city of Chicago, Agent openly interviewed Max C. Carpenter, who advised that he and his brother were the owners of a 1935 Ford sedan bearing 1935 Georgia license tags 50621-B; that his brother, Wade C. Carpenter, is presently employed at the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company as a salesman, and covered the territory in and about Bensenville, Illinois; that he, Max Carpenter, had never been in Bensenville, and when shown photographs of all the members of the Barker-Karpis gang not yet apprehended, he stated he had never seen any of the persons represented.

Mr. Wade C. Carpenter, Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, 4400 West Madison Street, Chicago, was interviewed. He stated that he covers a sales territory in and around Bensenville, Illinois, and upon questioning, stated that he had been, on one occasion, in the tavern operated by Jim Farmer, brother of Elmer Farmer; that he was not acquainted with Jim Farmer or Elmer Farmer. He was shown photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang, which he stated he failed to recognize. Carpenter was questioned thoroughly and he apparently was truthful in his statement that he had no connection with this case. b7c b7d

In connection with the information obtained from [redacted] which Postmaster Bartholomew of Bensenville, Illinois, provided her, indicating that Harry Campbell was residing in Berwyn, Illinois, on the same street where Fred Goetz previously resided, the following investigation was conducted.

It is known that Goetz formerly resided at 2141 Gunderson Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois. In company with [redacted] Agent on two occasions in the evening cruised the entire length of Gunderson Avenue in Berwyn for the purpose of trying to locate a 1935 blue Dodge coupe, the type of car which Harrison and other members of the gang may be driving, according to previous information obtained from [redacted]. A car of this description could not be located along this street.

Agent interviewed Mr. X. W. Rymkiawicz, janitor at 2141 Gunderson Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois. It is to be noted that Rymkiawicz was previously interviewed shortly after the killing of Fred Goetz at Cicero, and he provided valuable information to the late Special Agent W. Carter Baum. Rymkiawicz was shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize.

The janitor at 2148 Gunderson Avenue, immediately across the street, was likewise interviewed and shown photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang, which he failed to recognize. Inquiry previously of Mr. Rymkiawicz had resulted in the information that this janitor was reliable.

These are the only two apartment houses located on Gunderson Avenue.

Agent interviewed the five mail carriers of the Berwyn Post Office who deliver all mail on Gunderson Avenue. Photographs of all members of the Barker-Karpis gang not yet apprehended were shown them, each of whom stated he had never seen any of these persons before.

In connection with the information contained on page 15 of the report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, dated July 29, 1935 regarding the clerk, Rose Grobe, who had been employed at the Bensenville Post Office for the past six years, arrangements were made with [redacted] whereby the writer and Special Agent M. J. Cassidy, who was introduced as [redacted] cousin, met Rose Grobe. Miss Grobe was taken out on two occasions and Special Agent Cassidy and the writer spent the entire evenings with her and with [redacted] Agents frequented several roadhouses and questioned her as to any information she might have with reference to the Barker-Karpis gang. It is felt that if she had any information she would have divulged it as she appeared to be very friendly with agents, whose identity she did not know. However, she apparently had no information of value in this case. b7c b7d

It is believed further activity in this matter would prove unproductive. For that reason Miss Grobe will not again be contacted unless additional reasons for same present themselves.

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[redacted] has been interviewed by Agent on several occasions. It is to be noted that in all of Agent's contacts with [redacted] she appeared to be agreeable and friendly. Contrary to the information set out in letters she wrote to Special Agent J. L. Madala, no effort was made to force or compel her to contact any persons or to frequent any places which she appeared unwilling to do. It is to be noted that the writer did not have the opportunity to speak with Special Agent J. L. Madala before he was transferred to New York. Free discussion was had with [redacted] in which she indicated to Agent the activities which she intended to undertake with Agent Madala in an effort to locate the fugitives in this case not yet apprehended. It was at her suggestion that at nightfall Agent and she rode up and down Gunderson Avenue in Berwyn in an effort to locate the blue coupe believed to be a Dodge, which she stated Harrison was riding in and which car she believed she would recognize if she saw it parked in the street. However, it must be stated that statements made by [redacted] appeared to be made truthfully and in good faith. She stated that on the occasion when Harrison called at her home at Bensenville, that he advised that he was in Minneapolis during the trial of Arthur R. Barker and the other defendants in the Bremer case, and that if he had known she was in St. Paul, he might have stopped in to see her.

[redacted] further stated that it was the intention of Elmer Farmer to retain Sam Golan, who has been mentioned by Byron Bolton as a Capone syndicate Attorney, as his lawyer, however, Golan expected to obtain a high position, probably a judgeship in the State of Illinois, and he did not desire to obtain any such publicity as he would get by representing a defendant in the Bremer trial. However, Golan arranged to have Attorney Fisher represent Farmer. Fisher and [redacted] went to St. Paul to locate "Gee" and "Dutch" Schultz. [redacted] upon being questioned, stated that she understood that the "Dutch" Schultz mentioned was identical with the "Dutch" Schultz, who was a racketeer of New York City, who was recently acquitted on an Income Tax violation charge. She stated that Sam Golan represented the "Dutch" Schultz in Chicago. "Gee" is identical with the man mentioned by [redacted] as one of the perpetrators of the Gaynor Kidnaping in Chicago. She stated that "Gee's" correct name is Yario, and he likewise uses the name of Hasso. He was reported to be operating a night club at St. Paul or Minneapolis at the time she and Fisher went to that city. It was their purpose to get "Gee" and Schultz to arrange for the release of Elmer Farmer on bond, however, she could not locate either "Gee" or Schultz.

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[redacted] further stated that she had recently heard that "Gee" and Harold Conliff were operating a night club in St. Louis, Missouri.

[redacted] advised Agent that approximately three weeks ago she met Mrs. Bolton and they proceeded to the Belair Hotel in Chicago, where Mrs. Bolton, according to her statement, had an engagement to meet a man. She did not disclose the identity of the man, but [redacted] expressed the opinion that possibly it may have been one of the members of the Karpis-Barker gang. They waited at the hotel for approximately an hour for this man, whose identity Mrs. Bolton did not disclose to [redacted] and then left without seeing him. On the following day Mrs. Bolton intended to go to St. Paul to visit her husband, Byron Bolton. [redacted] thought that inasmuch as she had not been contacted by William Harrison, it might not be unlikely that Harrison got in touch with Mrs. Bolton for the purpose of transmitting the message which he had previously asked [redacted] to take to Harry Sawyer at the Cook County Jail in St. Paul. In this connection, [redacted] stated that Mrs. Bolton advised her that Willie Harrison had her address. [redacted] stated that Mrs. Bolton and Harrison had always been quite friendly and that inasmuch as she had been separated from her husband, she thinks it possible that Mrs. Bolton would not repulse any advances made by Harrison.

[redacted] stated that various hoodlums had resided at the Raymond Hotel in Bensenville at the time Elmer and Jim Farmer operated it. She stated that during August 1929 "Killer" Burke resided at that hotel; that Willie Heeney, who is reported to be an important contact for the Karpis-Barker gang, likewise resided at that hotel at various times. A large number of Italians who either resided at or hung about Melrose Park, including Mike Marino, likewise frequented the Raymond Hotel.

During the recent trial of Barker and others at St. Paul, [redacted] advised that Clara Gibson, widow of Russell Gibson, advised her that she and Gibson were residing at Minneapolis, Minnesota at the time that Bremer was kidnapped. One evening Clara Gibson pointed out to [redacted] the apartment in Minneapolis that she and her husband had resided in at that time. [redacted] described it as being a furnished apartment, not unusually large, located about three blocks from what she believed to be Donaldson's Department Store. She further advised that in front of this apartment a canvas canopy extends out over the sidewalk to the street, and that it can be recognized by this canvas canopy. Clara Gibson further told [redacted] that her husband, Russell Gibson, was in the automobile with the kidnapers at the time that Bremer was snatched in St. P.

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Further information was obtained from [redacted] to the effect that during the time that Bolton resided [redacted] in Bensenville last year, he hid valuables believed to be money, in the Victrola. Later, after the apprehension of Bolton, she thoroughly searched the Victrola, but was unable to find anything secreted therein. She stated that Mrs. Bolton apparently is well supplied with money as Mrs. Bolton invited her to accompany her to St. Paul to visit Byron Bolton and likewise has invited her to visit her home at Virden, Illinois, at Mrs. Bolton's expense.

Agent accompanied [redacted] to Kankakee, Illinois, where Constance Copeland, 504 South Dearborn Street, was interviewed. Agent did not disclose his identity and posed as a friend of [redacted] at Kankakee on business. Miss Copeland spoke openly and stated that she had not seen "Doc" Moran in two years. She indicated that Betty Tracy was infatuated with "Doc" Moran, adding that Betty Tracy was constantly weeping over the trouble that Moran was in. She stated that she had read in three different newspapers that Moran was dead, but that it might be possible for a man as intelligent as Moran to hide out indefinitely. Miss Copeland further stated that an aunt of Betty Tracy, Mrs. J. J. Herman, resides at 928 Ontario Street, Oak Park, Illinois. From the conversation had with Miss Copeland, she indicated that Mrs. Herman was frequently visited by Betty Tracy and all of her relatives. Miss Copeland stated when questioned by [redacted] that Betty Tracy and her family had recently moved to an address unknown to her on the North side of Chicago. Miss Copeland further stated that Ed Tracy, a brother of Betty Tracy, who was affiliated with some local union, was shot in the head and killed about Christmas time last year. [redacted] left her address with Miss Copeland, and she promised to call on [redacted] should she come to Chicago, she indicating that she possibly might give up her position in Kankakee and permanently reside in Chicago in the near future.

In company of Special Agent M. J. Cassidy, who has been acquainted with Irene Dorsey for many years, Agent interviewed her at her home in Wilmington, Illinois. She was questioned as to the identity of "Old Gus." She stated that she had met "Gus" on only two occasions; that George Goetz appeared not to be closely associated with "Old Gus"; that on one occasion she and Goetz saw "Old Gus" in a cafe. Gus was accompanied by a blond-headed woman described as being very attractive. Irene Dorsey stated that this woman was approximately thirty-five years of age. She did not know the name of this woman, and was not able to furnish

any further information regarding "Old Gus" other than he appeared to be of possibly German extraction, and that he appeared to have been a man coming from a small town.

Irene Dorsey was questioned concerning her knowledge of William J. Harrison. She stated that William J. Harrison was just a "punk"; that she could not believe he had any connection with the Bremer Kidnaping Case and knew of no connections of his in Cicero, Illinois.

Regarding "Jimmie the Swede" Moran, she stated that she knew this man only by the name of the "Swede." She stated he was approximately 5' 10" tall, age 35 years, blond, weight 160 pounds, medium build, and that he had a brother whose name was unknown to her; that she had seen him on a few occasions in Cicero. She was questioned closely, but could provide no further information regarding "Jimmie the Swede."

Irene Dorsey was questioned regarding Goetz' home at Cranberry Lake, Wisconsin. She stated that title to this property was never held in Goetz' name, but was held in the name of Louis Lipschultz and Sam Golan. Irene Dorsey stated that Sam Golan was Goetz' Attorney. She stated that Goetz spent approximately \$100,000 on his home and sold it for \$25,000 to E. J. O'Hare. She stated, however, that a portion of this property was retained by Goetz; that he never released it to O'Hare, but that she has been unable to find the deed for the same. When questioned as to the identity of Lipschultz and Golan and their connections with the syndicate, and when openly asked whether she would provide information regarding the Capone syndicate, she stated she would not do so.

On the night of August 3, 1935, Heimie Milch of the Associated Press, called Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, and reported that he had received information from Hoke Steeley of the Milwaukee Journal to the effect that he had seen a man whom he believed to be Alvin Karpis in Milwaukee in a pea-green Pontiac Sedan accompanied by two women; that he had followed this car from Milwaukee to Racine, Wisconsin, at which place he had lost the car. When asked whether any license number had been obtained, the reporter from the Milwaukee Journal stated that he had been unable to obtain the license number. When asked what his reasons were for believing that the man was Alvin Karpis, his only answer

was that the man was a dead ringer for Karpis.

Mr. Milch said that he would attempt to obtain further information from Hoke Steeley, and would furnish same to this office.

Mrs. Paul Koehler, 2846 North Francisco Avenue, who has been contacted by Agents on several occasions, was immediately contacted by telephone. She stated that she would keep close watch of the Karpis residence and would immediately notify this office should he appear. No further mention of any information that she might have was made by Mrs. Koehler. Mrs. Koehler was later contacted and she advised that on the evening of August 3, 1935, at approximately 8:00 p. m. and about two hours before Agent telephonically communicated with her, she was sitting on her front porch. She saw a young man leave the Karpavicz apartment located next door at 2842 North Francisco Avenue. He passed her house and she stated that she felt fairly certain that it was Alvin Karpis. She stated that the young man wore no coat nor tie and had on a baggy pair of pants which appeared too large. He apparently had no car with him as he walked up the street and turned the corner. She stated that she did not mention this matter to Agent on the evening of August 3d when he spoke with her on the telephone because she did not believe it important at that time inasmuch as he had already left the Karpavicz home. Mrs. Koehler here stated that she believed that the Karpavicz family was in communication in some fashion with their son, Alvin; that she recalls approximately three or four months ago during the time that her daughter resided in the apartment house at 2842 North Francisco Avenue, her daughter heard a messenger call at the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. David Brown, Apartment B, 2842 North Francisco Avenue, Chicago, advising that he had a telegram. When Mrs. Brown failed to answer the door, the messenger stated that it was a Special Delivery letter. That same day, or a day or two before or after this date, the Karpavicz family took photographs of the young infant son of Alvin Karpis, and approximately two or three days after the above incident, Mrs. Karpavicz advised Mrs. Koehler that she had received a telegram from her son and that she had sent him and the baby's mother, Dolores Delaney, photographs of the baby.

Mrs. Koehler further stated that Mrs. Brown was extremely friendly with the Karpavicz family; that she believed it highly probable that should Alvin Karpis be in communication with his

parents, it would likely be through Mrs. Brown.

As a result of the above information, telegraphic covers were placed on all telegrams sent and received at the Western Union and the Postal Telegraph Companies and a mail cover was placed on all mail received by the Brown family.

In view of previous information obtained in this case indicating that Joey O'Brien is reported to have furnished machine guns to both Dillinger and the Karpis-Barker gang, and in view of previous information indicating that the Hy Ho Club is a place contacted by members of the Karpis-Barker gang, especially William J. Harrison, information was obtained from the file indicating that Joey O'Brien had an interest in the Hy Ho Club.

At the suggestion of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Special Agents J. M. Jones, R. C. Suran, and J. L. Madala, made a discreet surveillance in and about the neighborhood of the Hy Ho Club, Cicero, Illinois, to ascertain the best possible location for a telephone tap. It was ascertained that the only place where a telephone tap could be advantageously installed was in the residence immediately next door to the Hy Ho Club. This residence is owned by Henry VonHine, 2338 Cicero Avenue. VonHine was previously interviewed by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan as reported in report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 20, 1935. It will be noted from that report that Mr. VonHine and his family have been residents of Cicero for forty-five years, and it is Agent's belief that he is reliable and dependable, and it is believed he will acquiesce should he be requested to have Agents placed in his home.

The telephones listed to the Hy Ho Club are Cicero 4883, which is listed to Ralph Newcander, and Cicero 4380, which is listed to the Hy Ho Club. Previous investigation indicates that Ralph Newcander is not actually financially interested in the Hy Ho Club, but he is used merely as a "straw" man. It is to be noted that in the rear of the Hy Ho Club, a large gambling establishment is being operated apparently in connection with the Hy Ho Club, and the number Cicero 4883 is the number of a public telephone located in this gambling place.

On July 28, 1935, several bandits entered the Liggett's Drug Store in the Northwestern Railroad Depot and attempted to rob the place. A policeman happened to be present and he resisted. A gun battle followed as a result of which Sam Manno and an elevator operator named Haskell Daniels were killed. The policeman, James H.

Fraley was likewise wounded in the battle. It is to be noted that Sam Manno has previously been mentioned as a contact and an acquaintance of Russell Gibson and "Doc" Barker, and he, with Joe and Frank Gallichio, were reported to have supplied guns to Russell Gibson. The Chicago Police, according to newspaper reports, are seeking the apprehension of Joseph Gallichio as being one of the participants in the above mentioned gun battle.

At the Illinois Bell Telephone Company a list of all toll calls emanating from unlisted telephone number Cicero 4596, which telephone is subscribed to by William Heeney, 1538 Austin Boulevard, was obtained. The numbers called from this telephone will be examined closely and such numbers as appear to have a bearing on this investigation will be checked closely.

An informant who was present in the Chicago Bureau Office being interviewed on another matter by Special Agent J. M. Jones, and whose name has previously been forwarded to the Bureau under confidential letter dated August 9, 1935, was interviewed by the writer. This informant has been released from the Joliet Penitentiary in the past year and states that he is acquainted with Dr. Joseph P. Moran. He advised that during the time that Moran was incarcerated at Joliet, he practiced his profession as a physician in the Penitentiary hospital. The informant stated that Moran was an excellent surgeon; that Moran was particularly friendly with Dr. Schmelik, who has an office at Joliet, Illinois, and is retained as the plant physician of the Steel Mills located in that town. Schmelik is reported to have arranged to procure a job for Moran at the Cook County Hospital upon his release from Joliet. Schmelik arranged for the position through a Mr. Zimmer, now in charge of the hospital, and who formerly was Warden at Joliet. Moran, however, did not take the job. Informant further stated that William Dohney, who has been mentioned on many occasions as a close associate of Moran while he was incarcerated at Joliet, was paroled from Joliet approximately two months after Moran was released. Informant stated that it is his understanding that Moran was active in obtaining the parole for Dohney. Informant further stated that the following physicians and dentists were employed at Joliet during the time that Moran was incarcerated there, and he was very friendly with all of them:

Dr. Beasley, a Dentist.
Dr. Dale, who is attached to the Eye, Ear, and Throat
Hospital located at Peoria and Adams Street, Chicago.
Dr. Carlin.

Informant further stated that Moran was a heavy drinker even while incarcerated at Joliet; that he did not know whether Moran was a confirmed narcotic addict, but that he knew that Moran took a shot of morphine before performing a surgical operation. The above mentioned informant, if it is desired to interview him further, can be reached by Special Agent J. M. Jones.

With reference to teletypes from the Salt Lake City and San Francisco offices dated August 5, 1935, concerning the five occupants in the 1935 gray Plymouth Coupe bearing Illinois license plates No. 347-599, the following investigation was conducted by the writer:

The address 111 West Division Street is occupied by the Mark Twain Hotel which investigation disclosed, is reputable. Inquiry at the Hotel resulted in information that Bello resided there for eight months, checked out on July 31, 1935, and left no forwarding address. A bellboy who was questioned, stated that Bello intended to go to Los Angeles, California. Bello lived at the Hotel alone and his acquaintances are not known. He was driving a 1935 gray Plymouth Coupe as described in teletype dated August 5, 1935, from the San Francisco Office. Bello is reported to have been employed at the Nut House, a night club in Chicago. Discreet inquiry at the above named night club resulted in information that Bello was formerly there, but had gone to Los Angeles. His address was not known to the party contacted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan. Further investigation will be made at this club to ascertain Bello's address in Los Angeles and his criminal connections.

Photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang were shown to various employees at the Mark Twain Hotel, none of which photographs were recognized.

The following description and criminal record of Bello were obtained from the Chicago Police Department:

Age:	28 years
Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	150 lbs.
Hair:	Dark chestnut
Complexion:	Fair
Chin:	Receding
Teeth:	Full

Build: Medium
Nationality: Latin
Marital status: Married
Occupation: Clerk
Scars & Marks: Irregular scar $\frac{1}{4}$ " right side of chin
Face: Pitted
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Criminal record:

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The records reflect the following notations as to Dominick

November 7, 1931 wanted by United States Department of Labor. Cancelled December 4, 1931.

Wanted by Lt. Barry September 2, 1933. Charge vagrancy. Cancelled April 16, 1934.

It is to be noted that the Nut House was formerly frequented by members of the Dillinger gang.

The above information was forwarded to the Los Angeles and Salt Lake City Offices by teletype on August 5, 1935, and confirmed by letter from this office on August 6, 1935. Further investigation made at the Nut House resulted in information from a bartender whose name is not known, that Bello and two men named Mike and George had gone to Los Angeles. The manner in which the information was provided Agent indicated that these men were Italians. Further information was obtained at a later date that Bello had returned to Chicago. Investigation conducted by this office failed to disclose any connection between Bello and the Karpis-Barker gang members not yet apprehended. However, this matter will be checked further in an effort to ascertain any possible connection between Bello and the above mentioned persons. b7c b7d

On August 10, 1935, the Sheriff's office at Waukegan, Illinois, telephoned this office and advised that they had in custody one [redacted] who desired to speak with Agent Suran.

Agent Suran proceeded to Waukegan, Illinois, and without advising the Sheriff's office of the purpose of his interview, interviewed [redacted] informant in this case.

[redacted] stated that on the evening of May 10, 1935, he and George Lee were arrested by the Sheriff's office near Half Day, Illinois; that he has been in jail at Waukegan, Illinois, serving a 90-day sentence which terminates on September 15, 1935, since that time. [redacted] stated that he was charged with carrying a concealed weapon. George Lee, according to [redacted] was wanted by the Post Office Inspectors for a mail robbery.

[redacted] stated he had obtained information that Willie Harrison was flashing a roll of thousand dollar bills at the White Horse Tavern located on Milwaukee Avenue just across the Cook County Line on route #21 at Half Day, Illinois. [redacted] and Lee proceeded to this tavern for

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the purpose of sticking Harrison up and taking his money. While awaiting the arrival of Harrison they were arrested by the Sheriff's office.

Lee attempted to escape and was shot and killed. [REDACTED] stated that Willie Harrison had a connection at a gambling place called "Twenty Acres" located on Milwaukee Road a short distance west of the White Horse Tavern. This gambling place, according to [REDACTED] is run by an Italian connected with the Capone syndicate. [REDACTED] indicated that it was at this gambling place he had obtained the information concerning Harrison frequenting the White Horse Tavern.

While interviewing Chief of Detectives, John L. Sullivan, on another matter, Chief Sullivan advised that he felt absolutely certain that John Hamilton was dead; that Bruno "Whitey" Austin, who is now in custody awaiting trial on a charge of murder perpetrated in the robbery of a grocery store, had advised that Hamilton, after he was wounded at South St. Paul on April 23, 1934, was brought to Chicago by members of the Dillinger gang; that he was seriously wounded, and after being harbored in Chicago, and later taken to the Hy Ho Club, Cicero, Illinois, he was buried by Joseph I. Aiuppa, Chicago Police Department group photograph No. 8183, and by James or John Gervin, who is wanted by the Chicago Police Department at the present time on a charge of murder. Chief Sullivan stated that Aiuppa and Gervin were reported to be the muscle men for the syndicate at the present time and are supposed to be killers and are reported to have buried a number of hoodlums that they had killed. Chief Sullivan stated that Captain Daniel Gilbert, Chief Investigator for the States Attorney's Office, had provided further information in regard to the activities of Aiuppa and Gervin.

Special Agent J. L. Madala and the writer interviewed Captain Daniel Gilbert at the States Attorney's Office and Captain Gilbert stated that Bruno Austin had advised that Hamilton, after he was wounded at South St. Paul, was brought to Chicago and kept for several days in a basement of a house that Captain Prendergast of the Chicago Police Department raided one night, and as a result thereof the gang becoming afraid, moved Hamilton to Cicero; that Hamilton died and was buried by two men. Gilbert did not indicate

to Agents the identity of these men, but it was obvious that he referred to the same men mentioned by Captain Sullivan. Captain Gilbert further stated that Hamilton is supposed to have been buried somewhere in the neighborhood of Bensenville, Illinois.

He further advised that Aiuppa is supposed to be at the present time the killer for the Capone syndicate; that he has been arrested on several occasions by the Chicago Police Department and has been vigorously interviewed, but refuses to provide any information sought by the Police Department. b7c
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Special Agent J. L. Madala, while interviewing [redacted] at the Cook County Jail, was advised by [redacted] that Aiuppa is identical with Joey O'Brien, who is reported to be part owner of the Hy Ho Club, Cicero, Illinois. It is to be noted that frequent reference has been made in previous reports to Joey O'Brien as an important contact for the Dillinger gang. O'Brien, according to Byron Bolton, is reported to have supplied both Dillinger and the Karpis-Barker gangs with machine guns.

[redacted] was interviewed. [redacted] has been previously interviewed while he was residing at Miami, Florida. He advised that he had been unable to obtain any information regarding the whereabouts of William J. Harrison. [redacted] indicated that he was a close friend of Joseph Adams; that it was his opinion that Adams was not the type of man who would knowingly harbor dangerous criminals, but had been prevailed upon by Harrison to help him. [redacted] stated that he felt that if he could be instrumental in locating Harrison, some leniency might be extended to Adams in respect to the charges now pending against him for harboring members of this gang. [redacted] stated that a day or two before Agent's visit, he was with Babs Moran and William Kerin; that no mention was made by them of Harrison and finally he casually asked Moran why the Government men were checking his activities. Moran professed to be in ignorance of any reason why the Government should be interested in him. Thereupon [redacted] mentioned the possibility to Moran that it might be because he was acquainted with Harrison. Both Moran and Kerin immediately and emphatically stated that they would not have anything to do with Harrison because he was too "hot." They stated that they had not seen nor heard from Harrison for some months and it was the opinion of Moran, Kerin, and [redacted] that Harrison might possibly be dead inasmuch as they felt that some acquaintance or friend of Harrison would have seen him if he were alive.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

St. Paul Bureau Office

At Minneapolis, Minnesota, will ascertain from Byron Bolton whether Russell Gibson was in the automobile with other members of the Karpis-Barker gang when they kidnaped Edward George Bremer, and will attempt to locate the apartment house in Minneapolis where Russell Gibson is reported to have resided with Clara Gibson at the time that Bremer was kidnaped, and will obtain any information available that would indicate that Clara Gibson participated in any way in the kidnaping.

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RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fug.,
I. O. #1218, et al,
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the Bureau,
Bureau File No. 7-576, dated August 31, 1935, requesting that
arrangements be made for a meeting at the New York office on
September 6, 1935, between Special Assistant to the Attorney
General Walter E. Barlow and Andrew Gurante of Astoria, Long
Island.

At the residence of Albert Gurante, Apartment
1M, 2805 - 35th Street, Astoria, Long Island, New York, Agent
McNulty of this office was advised by Albert Gurante that his
brother Andrew Gurante had left New York City on the evening of
August 31, 1935, for Florida and that he expected to hear from
him on September 5th or 7th as to where he can be reached (street
address and town) in Florida.

Agent McNulty has made arrangements to contact Albert
Gurante on September 5th with a view to obtaining the present ad-
dress of Andrew Gurante and upon receipt of same, this information
will be transmitted to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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R. WHITLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

RE: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

In connection with his request of August 31st that the Bureau ascertain whether it would be possible for Andrew Gurante, an informant in this case, to meet him at the New York City Bureau Office on September 6th for interview, Mr. Walter Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, was contacted this morning and furnished with the information contained in a teletype and letter from the New York City Office, both dated September 3, 1935, to the effect that Andrew Gurante is en route to Florida, and that his brother Albert Gurante, of Astoria, Long Island, New York, expects to hear from him in a few days, at which time he will ascertain his Florida address.

Mr. Barlow stated that since it would be impossible to discuss this matter with Gurante, he would like to confer with Assistant Agent in Charge Hanson at New York on September 5th or 6th, in connection with this case, and asked whether Hanson would be available. In a telephonic conversation with Mr. Hanson at New York it was ascertained that he will be available at New York for this conference, and Mr. Barlow has been so advised.

Very truly yours,

H. Nathan.

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232 HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1235 WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238 WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239 MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Edward George Bremer - Victim			
<p>Lengthy statement made by Subject Volney Davis under title "My Career in Crime" to this Agent set out in full herein; same given confidentially to be used only by this Bureau.</p> <p>P.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, 8-24-35.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: The following statement was written in longhand by Subject Volney Davis and was given to this Agent with the reservation that the same should be kept <u>strictly confidential</u>, the information therein to be used only by this Bureau. It is, accordingly, requested that the field offices receiving copies of this report not divulge the contents of the same to outside sources. The original of the statement written in longhand by Subject Davis is being transmitted herewith to the Chicago office for the attention of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley. The statement follows:-</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. A. Smith</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-576-727 RECORDED AND INDEXED: SEP 7 1935 CHECKED OFF: SEP 23 1935 JACKETED:	
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MY CAREER IN CRIME

August 9, 1935

I was in the 6A in grade school in the city of Tulsa, Oklahoma, I had attended school regular up until this time and had never played hooky are had any sort of trouble in any way. I was 14 years old at the time and it was the year of 1916 about the middle of the fall term an last half of the years school.

I was wrestling with another boy of about my age who was slightly heavier than I was. He suddenly broke loose from me and then made a lunge back at me and I stooped and caught him below the knees then raised up with him as quick as I could and he fell over my head and in falling his arm was twisted under him in such a way his arm was broken in three places. I helped pick him up and carried him to the principles office and the principle told me to go home and to send my father over to talk to him. So my father went over and the principle told my Father that he thought the best thing to do was to take me out of school for a period of 30 days. So it was arranged. My people being very poor I begin to watch the papers for an ad to see if I couldn't find a job. My father didn't want me to sell news papers as he thought it would put me in the wrong kind of company. About which he was right. It turned out for me that way at least. Altho I will say here that the average news boys are an honest class taken as a whole. I found an add in the paper one evening that stated. Wanted twenty boys at a certain address the following Saturday morning. So I was one of the first there. It turned out to be an oil field advertising weekly called the Saturday Spectator. And it was its first issue. So I took a chance on explaining it to my father and I took an arm load of the pamphlets and went out to sell them which I did to the extint I earned \$1.50 that Saturday. So I taken the money home and begged my Father so hard that he finally said seeing that it wasn't sold on the streets and that it was sold mostly in office buildings he said I could continue selling them. While I was out of school for the thirty days any way. So after the next Saturday I begged him to let me sell the news papers too as I could earn something every day that way and I promised him I would go back to school in a short while any way and forget it all together. But I never reckoned with the results I would find after being out of school for thirty days in the middle of a term. Why that principle ever told my father to take me out of school over that accident to this day I can't understand. The boy that was hurt (Carl Dick) by name wasn't even mad about it. And for what ungodly reason I was

requested to stay out for I can't understand. But this is a fact and can all be proved if the persons concerned are alive at present which I should think they are. As I was saying I pleaded with my dad until he said being as tho I had already started to selling the Spectator that he would let me sell the news papers also. This I did until the finish of the thirty days was up and I seldom earned less than \$1.00 and Saturdays and Sundays I would earn more. My mother at the time was taking in washings and my Father who is practically an inviled from a bad rupture, did what ever odd jobs he could find that he was able to do. So our income was not very large and when the time came for me to go back to school I was far behind in my class and could not catch up very easely. So I begged my father to try to get permission from the school authorities to let me remain out of school and help them in making a living. This was after I had been back in school for some time and they had missed the money I had made for I always gave my money to my mother. It had taken quite a burden off of her when I was working. So it was arranged for me to quit school to help support my Father, mother & four sisters three younger than myself. The one oldest at this time was eighteen and she had been working for two years are more helping support the family and at eighteen she was married so that took her salary out of the family fund. So all in all they needed the money I earned very much. So that is how I quit school so early. I sold papers, worked in a machine shop the Norris Sucker rod company of Tulsa, then the Bauer Auto top shop and several other jobs and like most other street urchins I came to the notice of the Juvenile officers for taking some eggs from a farmers wagon. I was lectured and released. During this period of my life I even picked up junk and sold it for six months are so. Then I was employed for a while in the press room of the Tulsa World one of the cities largest morning news papers. Where I worked at night. An from midnight until early morning. Accross the alley from this news paper office was located the Turks Bros. Shoe store which three other boys and my self entered one night and stole several pair of shoes. We also entered a hardware store and another shoe store I believe it was the Walkover shoe store and the Nickols Hardware store where we taken some flash lights pocket knives and other articles. A few months are weeks later I was out hunting and an officer came to my house to arrest me for these burglaries and my Father brought him out to where I was hunting and I accompanied him to the police station and I made a full confession of what I had done and was released and told if I was ever arrested again in Tulsa I would be sent to the reform school. So I got with two other boys, Harry Campbell, one that is connected in this case and another boy named Bill Green who killed himself after he escaped from Leavenworth Federal penitentiary rather than be captured. With these two who were much older than my self we came to Kansas City where we were

arrested and the Tulsa police were notified of our arrest. They sent a hold order on me and Campbell & Green were given 24 hours to get out of town and released. I was returned to Tulsa and charged with burglary. While awaiting trial two other boys and my self dug a hole through the wall into the elevator shaft and escaped. A few days later I was caught in the act of trying to steal a casing and tire off of an automobile. I was taken before the judge where I entered a plea of guilty to the tire theft and also the burglaries and was sentenced to a term of three years in the penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma. I was 17 years of age at the time. I was taken to the penitentiary on Sept. 28 - 1919 where I served until July 15 - 1920 and was then transferred to the reformatory at Granit, Oklahoma to finish my term. While there I was a trusty at the gate and also drove the mail truck to town after the prison mail. I served my time with all the possible credits for good behavior and was released the 28th of June 1921. I went immediately to my Father & Mother at Okmulgee, Oklahoma where they were living at the time. So after being there for one month and failing to find work I went to Tulsa to live with one of my sisters and to try to find work. I found a job of work at the construction site of the St. Johns Hospital in Tulsa. I worked there for about three weeks. Then I was accused of having some misconduct with a girl at Central park. The National Grand Armory was just across the street from Central park and I was accused by one of these fellows. At least he told my sister the one I was staying with, that I had misbehaved my self with a young girl. I am mentioning this to show why I quit my job and left my sisters house. As there wasn't a semblance of truth in it. It was all over jealousy on the part of the National Guard boys. As they knew me and that I had just got out of the reformatory. If there had of been anything to it I would have been arrested for it. Am charged with it after I was arrested a few days later. But this accusation was the cause of my sister which had a young daughter at the time, caused her to tell me that she couldn't have me staying with her if I did things like that. And of course it hurt me for her to believe that I had been guilty of such a horrible offence. So I packed my clothes and went to town. Then it was that I having no one over me are to check on me about how late I was staying out. I begin to stay at first one rooming house and then another with three other boys. One of which was Doc Barker, the other two of which one is dead and the other I don't know what became of him. But the one that is dead will come into this article later on his name was Howard Margraves. We were arrested the first part of September (1921) in our room and charged with state vagrancy. That carried a penalty of 30 days in jail and \$100.00 fine. So I tried to argue that I had just quit a job and that I was looking for another one but owing to my record I was found guilty before a police judge and sentenced. But Doc he got a lawyer and got out on a bond.

Also one of the others. But Margraves & my self were held as he had been into trouble before too. Now this crime that I was later convicted on had already happened. It happened the 26th of August 1921, and this was in September that I was in jail. I stayed in the jail for about thirty days and a bunch of dope fiends and Margraves & myself made an escape from the jail. The escape was made possible by the neglect of the jailor in leaving the door open. We went out of the cage and upon top of the cage and made a hole in the roof of the building and I think about 20 left. Margraves, James Sexton and myself left together. This happened in October 1921 about the first. We went to Muskogee, Oklahoma. Margraves left Sexton and I there and went home to Pittsburg, Kansas. Sexton and I stayed together for a month are more making a living by hiping and on the short con game. He was good at both. We went to Sapulpa and it was here that I meet Edna Price known now as Edna Murray. She was a waitress in a restaurant at the time. Up until this time there had never been a girl in my life. She was 4 years older than my self. She being 23 at the time. And we seemed to get along very well and I liked her. But she had been married and I had the old fashioned idea that I shouldn't marry some one that had been married it was taught to me at home. For that and that alone kept me from marring her. I have often wondered if I had of only married her then that both of our lives would have been different for I did love her and things that came to pass will show it later on. I stayed there in Sapulpa all of that winter some times she would feed me and pay my room rent and some times I would be the one. But it was a partenr ship affair. In January in 1922 about the 8th or 9th James Sexton was killed with some other fellows in Okmulgee, Oklahoma. And in the mean time I had saw in the paper where Doc Barker was arrested in Tulsa for murder and my name was mentioned as being wanted for a material witness. I never give it much thought as he had never come back to see me after he got out of jail in Tulsa so I continued to live in Sapulpa fifteen miles from Tulsa. So on March the fourth 1922 I was arrested in Sapulpa and taken to Tulsa and charged with murder in the first degree. I was charged with the murder of a night watchman that had been killed on August 26 in 1921 at the place where I had been working in Tulsa the St. Johns hospital. Before I was arrested Doc Barker had been convicted of this charge and sentenced to life. Myself not being guilty of the charge, just figured it was because of my record and my association with Doc if he was guilty. I never for one moment thought I would be convicted for a crime I never did. I just didn't think it could be that any thing like that could happen. But I have learned better since for I know of several cases when men have been convicted for crimes they didn't commit.

Edna had one of the best criminal lawyers in the state to come and talk to me Ben Thompson of Sapulpa and we went over the case together and he told me they didn't have much of a case and that he would defend me. But later on the Klu Klux Klan entered the case. They were at their height at that time in Oklahoma and they are I always figured it was them caused Thompson to withdraw from the case. He refunded the money that had been paid him which wasn't very much and I was left without an attorney. But in the meantime while I was held in the jail Mrs. Barker, Doc's mother came to see me and told me that they had appealed Doc's case to the criminal courts of appeal and that if I didn't tell them the same story that Doc did it would ruin his appeal and that if I did it would help him. Well I knew if I lied and told them I was with him that they had convicted him on his testimony so they would me and at that time I thought I should help the old women if I could and not hurt my self. And then too I had got another lawyer and he had told me not to worry that they couldn't convict me on the evidence they had against me. So they kept putting my case off from time to time. I think I was in jail during three terms of district court. And each time I was told not to worry that they was liable to throw my case out any time. So it went on until January in 1923 I had been in Jail almost a year and I had begin to think I was the most unfortunate person in the world. I couldn't get a trial and I was held without bond, couldn't have made a bond if they had of set one. So on the 16th day of January there was a bunch of boys in the jail that wanted out very badly. So we planned a jail break and on that morning we grabbed the jailor took his gun and eleven of us escaped. Margraves had been arrested in Pittsburg, Kansas and was in the jail at the time. So him and I went to Sapulpa and were headed out into the county to a place where I had lived before I was arrested and while on the way out there a wagon passed us and we got on the back end of it riding with our feet hanging out the back end. When two Deputy Sheriffs from Tulsa drove up behind us in a car and they recognized us and they begin to shoot as they passed and Margraves was killed and several bullet holes were in my clothing. But I wasn't hit. So there were big head lines in the papers and I was branded as the leader. And when I got back to jail my trial was set for the 23 of January. So on that date I went to trial for a crime I didn't do and my life was at stake. The trial lasted two or three days and when the state had finished this case. My attorney who was appointed by the state told me to not take the stand an offer no defense what ever. He said that they hadn't made a case against me and that the only thing the jury could do was acquit me. So not knowing much about court cases I took his advise. The case went to the jury and they convicted me and sentenced me to life. But the

foreman of the jury told my mother afterward that this was the reason they convicted me. He said that they didn't think I was guilty of murder but that I ought to have some time for breaking out of jail. So he said they the jurors all agreed to convict me on the murder and that they all agreed to recommend me for clemency after I had served 5 years. Which they did. I will explain this part later on. I went to McAlester Penitentiary on Feb 3rd 1923 to serve life. After serving almost two years my appeal in the criminal courts was affirmed as was Doc Barkers. And on January the 8th 1925 I escaped from the penitentiary with 4 other prisoners. And thirteen days later I was caught in Kansas City at the apartment of Mrs. Edna Murray. She had married Jack Murray while I was in the penitentiary. So I was returned to the prison. After I was back there three or four years my people begin to try to get me out and went to visit all of the jurors that were living and could be found. Then is when my mother found out about the agreement the jurors had had in the jury room the day I was convicted. They all recommended me for Clemency. And told her about the agreement. They recommended my time to be cut to five years. I could have gotten out then if I had of had some money to have got a lawyer. Then about this time a burglar was killed and his brother captured in Pittsburg, Kansas. The brother told the sherriff there that his Brother had killed a man in Oklahoma and that two innocent men, Volney Davis & Doc Barker, were doing time for it. The fellow had confessed it to his Bro. His mother and to a Priest in Kansas City. So my mother got buisy and got a sworn affadavit from all of them to that effect. With this kind of evidence she still could not get me out. One reason was because I had escaped. And the rest were because I didn't have any money to pay to some attorney to get it put through. Time went on until Sept. 10th 1932 when Doc's brother Fred, Jess Doyle, Alvin Karpis and Fred & Docs mother put up money and got Doc out. He was out about 30 days when He sent Jack Glyn of Leavenworth, Kansas, down to see me and he told me that Doc & Jess was going to put money up for me a parole and that they wanted me to meet them in Leavenworth at the National Hotel. When I got out. So on November 1st I got a leave of absense for a period of eight months. I wasn't required to even report until my 8 months was up. I was supposed to get a parole. So Preston Lister the attorney that Jack Glyn used down there at McAlester wouldn't take but \$150.00 dollars of the \$250.00 that he had put in escrow in the bank in McAlester. I left the other \$100.00 there and he said he would get me a parole for it. So later on before the eight months were up I saw Jack Glyn and gave him some more money and he got me another 12 months leave. Jack Glyn in all got about \$2,000.00 from Doc, Fred & Jess for getting me out. So I felt my self obligated to them. I meet Jack Glyn at the National Hotel and he said he had a wire from Doc and that he

would meet me there. I got a room and that evening Doc came in by plane. He had plenty of money and gave me some. Then he told me what Fred and him wanted me to do. He said Fred had their mother with him in Saint Paul and had been with her for a long time and that they wanted me to go to Saint Paul and get mother and to take her to Chicago and that would be all I would have to do for six months was to take care of her. It was one of the longest and hardest six months I have ever spent. She had plenty of money and I was furnished with plenty but I didn't enjoy it. And I was quick to see why they were so anxious to be away from her. But I will pass over this. Mother meaning Mrs. Barker and I left St. Paul for Chicago the next day. But before I left St. Paul I met Vern Miller, Earl Chrisman, Earl Doyle, Jess Doyle, Lawrence Duval, Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis. Each of these knowing I had just been released from prison gave me some money. And Larence Duval ask about another boy that was in McAlester doing 25 years and I told him he could get out for \$200.00. So he gave me \$300.00 and told me to send it to him which I did from Chicago. I went with mother to Chicago and Bill Weaver a party known to me as Jew Otto from the east he also had a girl with him called Helen. We went to Joe Bergels auto agency in Cicroe and he directed us to Doc Stacys home in Maywood then we went there and saw Doc Stacy. He made arrangements for us that night. Bill and myself sleep at Rocci Stacy that night a brother of Docs. The next day mother, Helen and I rented an apartment in Chicago at Kedzie and Jackson Blvd. just around the corner on Kedzie. Otto went back to St. Paul with Bill and we stayed there a few days and Doc Barker & the Jew Otto came down from St. Paul. And said they had just made some good connections in Reno, Nevada, and that he would go out there with me. He said Fred & Karpis was already out there. So we taken all of the luggage and mother caught a train for Reno. Doc Otto & I was to drive through in two cars one belonged to Karpis and the other was Docs. We started some time before Xmas and was out there before Xmas. Mother was there when we got there. We all three came through in one car as the Jew Otto turned Docs car over close to Palmyra, Mo. So we left it to be repaired and finished the trip in Karpis car. The next day after arriving mother and I rented an apartment. Then shortly Doc, Jew Otto, Karpis & Fred left for St. Paul. On the way back Doc stopped in Kansas City and there he connected with his father & Harry Hull the boy I sent the money to from Chicago. He had got out in the mean time. So they went on to St. Paul together. It was the first time Fred had saw his Father in several years. But Mr. Barker only stayed a short while in St. Paul. But before any of the rest came back to Reno the 3rd North Western National bank was robbed in Minneapolis and there was two policemen and a citizen killed. Harry Hull, Bill Weaver, Doc Barker, Fred Barker, Jess Doyle, Earl Chrisman drove to Reno in one car. Karpis went to Chicago, I think before he came out to

Reno. I heard later that Vern Miller and Lawrence Duval were with them in the robbery. I know they all had lots of money when they came out with the exception of Harry Hull. But they all gave him money and bought him clothes. But later on he taken a suitcase of Jess Doyles that contained about \$300.00 in one dollar bills and left. Doc & Jess Doyle followed him to Kansas City to kill him but he got wise to them and got away from them after they had located him. And while on this trip I had Doc to look up Edna Murray who had escaped from Jefferson City prison and was living in K.C. with her sister Doris. They found them alright and Jess fell in love with Doris. and Edna sent word to me to come and see her. So when Jess & Doc returned to Reno they brought me this news. They also told me that they meet Eddie Green & Earl Doyle and that they was going to rob a payroll in North K.C. and that they wanted to cut me in on it. But Doc said no that he wouldn't tell me. But later on he told me after they had robbed the payroll. Buck Coleman & Dago Howard helped them & Earl Doyle & Buck got shot. So it was then that Doc told me that they had wanted me to go on it with them. I was glad that I didn't of course.

Mother went to visit her sister Goldie in Calif. and had arranged for her to meet her in Chicago so they could attend the worlds fair together. Mother took a train to Chicago and Doc and I came by plane to K.C. Doc went to Palmyra Mo. to get his car and I went on to Chicago where I meet mother and we rented an apartment at 112 Home Ave. in Oak Park. They I came back to K.C. and meet Doc, Earl Chrisman, Vern Miller, Frank Nash, Jess Doyle, Karpis, Fred Barker and Eddie Green. They had planed to rob the Fairbury Neb. bank for a long time and at last they got set on it. So before they started, Jess and myself who were living with Edna & Doris sent them on to Chicago to rent an appartment for us to come to. Now here is another robbery I could have been in on but they had too many the way it was and Fred said it would be a tough caper and as I had never been in a day lite robbery or a bank robbery. That I had better not go. He said he would see that I got something out of it. So I stayed in the apartment just as Harry Hull had done in St. Paul when they had robbed the 3rd Northwestern bank. They figured on getting back at night, so they wanted some one there during the day and to have something to eat. Bank robbers have to eat too. And they had to go with out any thing all that night and the next day. I stayed there and they all left one day about 7 P.M. They meaning Fred & Doc Barker, Vern Miller, Frank Nash, Eddie Green, Jess Doyle & Earl Chrisman & Karpis. The next time I saw any of them was the next evening at about 8 are 9 oclock P.M. When Fred Barker, Vern Miller & Earl Chrisman drove up in front of the apartment. I went out and Earl was in the back seat of Jess Doyles Chevrolet sedan. Earl had been shot so I stayed there in the car with him while

Vern Miller went to get a Doctor and to arrange a place to take him too. While we sit there the others came in walking and went on in to the apartment. Vern came back and we went to a house in the southern part of K.C. Dr. D. M. Nigro treated Earl for a week or more that I stayed there and nursed Earl. When he began to get better I was released by Doc & Fred. I understand Earl got worse after I left. They also moved him to Vern's house at 6612 Edgevale Road in Kansas City. He died here and they disposed of the body. I never did know where. Doc & Fred Barker, Karpis & Vern Miller did it. I was given several Hundred dollars and was to get a car. I didn't own any at that time. So when I left for Chicago Vern Miller wired to Joe Bergel in Chicago where he had a credit and told Bergel to give me a new car. Bergel also gave me enough money to make up \$1,000.00 one thousand dollars. It was already for me when I got there. I sent Doc Stacey's wife over after it so Bergel wouldn't see me. She bought it in my right name E. V. Davis. I lived with Jess Doyle & Doris and visited mother Barker every day. Then Fred & Doc came on to Chicago and Fred didn't like the place we had rented for his mother as her sister was going to visit her and he wanted her to have a better place so we moved her to the Orolando Apartment hotel on the south side. She rented one half of a whole floor two complete apartments adjoining. While she lived there I lived at the Elenor Menor on the south side of Chicago. But Fred had brought Paula Harmon with him from K.C. and he couldn't take her around his mother so him and I went to round Lake Ill. and rented a cottage for the season this must of been in June in 1933. Paula, Edna, Freddie, Doc and myself went out there at first but they had some kind of a deal on with some big shots and they didn't stay out there much. Here is where I meet Miss Helen Byrns who I fell in love with. She was there on a vacation from a nurses training school. I could have married her by deceiving her. But I liked her too well for that. While we were living here Mr. Hamm was kidnaped. But I did not know it until one evening when Montie Carter & Big Charley or (Chuck) and Karpis, Fred & Doc Barker came out there to cut the money up. They gave me \$750.00 and said it was some extra they had left. I never did know how that money was split but I heard Fred say that Tom Brown & Jack Pieffer of St. Paul got the big end of it. We lived on here until the end and close to the end of the season. About this time mother had read one of Goldie's letters from her husband and he said he thought it was dangerous for her to be there with Fred & Doc and that he thought she should come home. Goldie never knew that mother read her letter. So when she said she thought she ought to go home no one protested. And as soon as she left Doc and I moved mother to an apartment Hotel at 72nd and 73rd and Stony Island in Chicago. Edna and I moved in from the lake to

64th and the I.C. R.R. in a big yellow apartment there we had an apartment on the back side near the tracks. But it was close to mothers place. It was while we lived here that Bill Weaver come to Chicago and told them he had a mark in South St. Paul. He said the Chief of Police are the former Chief had give it to him. Bill had lived in South St. Paul under his protection. They had a meeting place in Calumet City at Willie Harris saloon. Here is where I meet Harry Campbell, Irish Omalley, Babs Moran and Willie Harris & Gus Stone for the first time. I had knew Campbell a long time before. I was taking the fair in during this time and also courting Miss Byrns ever chance I got. I would get her at 7 P.M. and have her back at 9 P.M. those were the rules at the nurxes home. I visited mother every day and got her the things she wanted. Ane one morning I meet Fred there and he said looks like I am going to have to get a nurse and a doctor for the gang and keep them all the time. He said Big Fitz are Charley had got hit on the last caper and he wanted me to go to Calumet City and stay with him. When I went out there Omally & Gus Stone was there with him in Willie Harris house. I stayed there several days and some large doctor come and dressed Chuck every day But I never did know his name. It seemed as though Gus Stone got him. I thought Gus Stone was Gus Winkler But in that I guess I was wrong. Big Charley was taken from there to some hospital I never knew where. But it was pretty close about 150 miles I think. Shortly after this while I was still living near the I.C. R.R. there was a mail robbery in the loop down town at night and in getting away there was a wreck. But before I go into that I want to say here I don't know which of these rob bed that pay roll S. St. Paul. Fred & Doc Barker, Karpis, Bill Weaver, Babs Moran, Harry Campbell, Big Charley was there for he got shot. Irish Omally, Willie Harris, Gus Stone. But some of them did it. Well when this car was wrecked I saw a picture in the paper of some of the tags that were in it and I recognized the number as that of a tag I had stolen in Deluth, Minn. Tag No. B141145 - 1934. I got it off of a car in a garage. In fact I did a lot of this kind of petty stealing for them. I was always on the lookout for tags. For they always had tags for all the states they would have to cross in going any where. Then later on Doc came to my house and he had his hand bandaged up. So since I have been in custody this time Elmer Farmer told me that that night the mail robbery was attempted that when they had the wreck and killed a policeman that Montie Carter or Bolton had shot Doc through the little finger on his left hand. And that when they came to his house in Bensenville that night that Harry Sawyer, Fred & Doc Barker, Big George Zigler, Montie Carter or Bolton and Karpis was in it. But I thought Gus Stone was with them too. Just a guess

I don't know. I also thought Harry Campbell was in on it. But Bolton knows. After this Edna and I moved to St. Paul and lived at the Oseolla apartment at Lexington just off of Grand Ave. I was living there under my right name E. V. Davis. But before this we had all visited Reno, Nevada. Fred & Doc Barker, Harry Campbell Karpis & myself with our women had been out there. So I will go on to the apartment in St. Paul. We Edna & I lived there one month and had paid another months rent when on the 18th or 19th of January 1934 Fred Barker & Blond George or Zigler came to my house and told me that I had better leave St. Paul. That the police would turn the town upside down looking for the kidnapers of Bremer. I didn't want to go but they said I had better. For it looked bad leaving a whole months rent and I had used my right name. But Fred had had some kind of a shooting scrape with an aviator and they had got his tag number. So he wanted to use my car as it was a coupe and that was what he wanted. So George Zigler took Edna and my luggage and went to Chicago where Edna was told to rent a flat for Paula Harmon, Freds girl and Winona Burdett, Harry Campbells girl. I was to go there too when I got strait with the landlord. I left the next day after trying to get some of my rent money back. I also paid the milk man and the paper boy. So when I went to Chicago on the bus I went to mother Barkers place on the south shore drive and I went to Willie Harris place in Calumet City. I don't remember which. But I believe it was Harris place as he was the one that had helped Edna locate the apartment at 6212 University on the south side in Chicago. That was where I found Edna, Paula & Winona and I stayed there with them for about 3 weeks or more I know I had a hell of a time with the three of them for they would get drunk every time I would go to George Zigers flat in Cicero to meet Fred Barker, Montie or Bolton and George. I also meet Willie Harris there on several trips. I brought Fred clean clothes and done everything I could for him. I also visited his mother and keep his guns and equipment for him. It was in George Zigers flat that Montie or Bolton & George would type the ransom notes. George always wore gloves while typing. During this time Paula Harmon & Edna had a fight and I got Fred and Willie to get her moved they moved into an apartment on 63rd and two blocks off of Stoney Island going east on 63rd. They used the name of Bradberry I believe. So after Bremer was released Fred gave me three or 4 hundred dollars and I moved to Aurora, Ill. I also sold my car, that is Willie Harris sold it for me. I bought an old ford for \$195.00 in Chicago. I lived in Aurora a month or so when Fred give me some more money. I think it was three five hundred dollar bills. I traded my ford in for a second hand Buick. I was living under the name of J. E. Hansen. As I was afraid they would find that place

in St. Paul where I moved from and had used the name of Davis which is my name. My idea in moving to Aroura was this Edna knew a man there & his wife - Cory Bales was his name and his wife name was Violet. Edna had meet them when she was an escape from prison before. But they didn't know anything about her. He was a gambler and he had lived there a long time and knew lots of people. So I interduced myself as a gambler to him. I was going to get acquainted with as many people as I could and in that way make myself a town to be from. Know one knew me there so I was going to learn as many names and address as I could then where ever I went I could correspond with them and people would think that was my home town. But before I had got settled good I like all other fools who think they can beat the law had told Bill Weaver and Doc Barker where I lived. So Bill found him a house and him and Myrtle moved over. Then Doc and Harry Campbell came over to Bills and they begun to get rid of that money. They was using his place to make meets with Slim Gibson and Ollie Berg. But just before this one night I believe it was the next night after George Zigler was killed, mother Barker & Irene, Georges wife, came to my house at night and wanted me to go to Wilmington, Ill. and get some of Georges things and stuff that belonged to Fred and Doc Barker. I went with them and went to Irenes uncle Sy. Him and I dug a hole in his garage and then busted a concret vault and took two packages out. We also got some other stuff out of the house. Mother & Irene took me to Aurora and they went on to Chicago. But the next morning Irene came back after me. She said Fred had gone crazy. She said he had been operated on and had went out of his head. When I got there Jimmie Wilson and some other fellow was there and they had him quite. He had had his finger prints all cut off. They took him back to Ollie Bergs house after that. Then it was that Doc and Harry Campbell brought the money over to Bills house in Aurora. I have been told since that the bundles we got that night contained \$140,000.00 of the Bremer ransom. I never knew at that time what it was. Then about this time Montie Carter or Bolton and Elmer Farmer come over after Doc and told him that Joe O'Brien and Bobby two Chicago gangsters wanted to see him. I drove him to the sea food inn on north Ave. in Elm Hurst, Ill. and there we meet them. They said they had Dillinger & Homer Van Meter & Hamilton and that Hamilton was shot. They had had them several days and had toget rid of them. So Doc turned to me and said cant you keep them a day are two in your place. Well I said yes the same as any one else would have underlike circumstances. So we made a meet with them for that night at the same place. I went home and took Edna over to Bills house. You see they had that money at Bills was the reason they didn't take them there. So that night we meet Bobby & Joe at the same place and Dillinger & Van Meter & Hamilton was in a car out side we made the transfer and I drove them to Aurora. The next day Hamilton died. And Joe & Bobby got Dillinger a new yellow

wheeled 1934 ford and to drums and some shells for a machine gun and took them to Elmer Farmers place in Bensenville, Ill. I went over there and got them I give Farmer \$125.00 they had sent for the car and stuff. So the next day they took out. But Van Meater give me several hundred dollars while he was there. He had about \$17,000.00 then. The next I heard of them they robbed a bank in Ohio close to Toledo and as luck would have it Fred & Doc Barker, Ray Karpis, Campbell & Bill Weaver and myself and our women were all in Toledo at that time and they had stole a tag out of Toledo to use on the robbery. But they didn't know we would be there and we didn't know they would be there. That is the last I heard of them until they were killed. Campbell, Doc & myself had Dr. Moran to work on our fingers while we were in Toledo. Then we moved up on the lake near Sandusky. Bert & Ted Angus made all of our arrangements for us in Toledo such as renting houses and buying cars and furnishing us a place to drink and loaf around. I got into an argument with the Barker boys over some money and they give me \$3,100.00 and bought me a car. Bert Angus bought it for me. I had the old Buick I had bought in Aurora so I took it to Cleveland and traded it in on a truck. I took the truck and Edna took the new ford and we started for Montana and freedom from all such gangs. That is what we thought. I was going to try to live a decent life. I was going into business. Which I did I went to Glasgow, Mont. and went into parteners with Cary Bales who was already there when I got there. Him and I gambled there for a while looking around and we made good money. But I wanted to go into business of our own and he and I leased a piece of land near the big government job of the Fort Peck dam. We built a building and was going to have a night club where you could dance and dine also gambling. But just as I had it about built I made a trip to trade my car in for another one as Edna had turned this one over on the trip up there and had ruined it. So when I came back I foundout that the federal men had been up there looking for me. So I just left. It was an awful blow to me and Edna as we sure thought we were going to be able to get out of that awful strain of living in town and being afraid to open the door when some one knocks. But we had to leave. So I came back to Kansas City and lived there until I was caught in Feb. Then I got away that night in Yorkville, Ill. and decided to go it alone. I never went near any one that knew me after I left Matt Gleasons place in Aurora that night. The only other place I went was where I went when I was caught. I went by my folks home in Neosho, Mo. and they didn't want me to stay there which I wouldn't have any way. I was there about five minutes and drove right away. I am writing this with the word of a federal agent that it won't be published are given to the public in no way. And will be used for the good of the department and will be put into the proper hands

to benefit me. I am doing this hoping to atone for the wrong I have done. I know some of this article won't sound true to some people. But if they knew the Barkers as I do they could understand it. They considered themselves paying me for the wrong I done myself in not ruining Docs appeal in that case in Tulsa, Okla. I followed their advise and got life when I could have used my own and have been acquitted. But I couldn't see it that way then. But that is the way they looked at it. I have plead guilty to conspiracy in this case and have been sentenced to life. I also have the life sentence in McAlester, Okla. So I know I will have to do a long time to get out, but I have made up my mind to make a man out of myself and never be into any thing dishonest. I think during my life I am due to have one chance to live a decent life and make a respectable living. If this can be used to advantage I will feel that I have done something good. But it can fall into the wrong hands and possibly cause my death. But I don't believe honest people will double cross me when I am trying to help them and I believe if they can see that I intend to do right that they will help me. And all they will have to do is to watch my record in prison to see that I will prove that I am on the square with them. But I have got all of the thieves view points on life that I want and if I find honest people as crooked as thieves are in their dealings then I don't want to live any how for there is only two kinds of people in the world dishonest & honest. I intend to be honest. I have tried the dishonest life and have found nothing but sorry, grief, fear & deciet. I would like to write a story some time on (crime can't pay) and another on the (Fear and Strain of a hunted man). I think it might do some young people a lot of good. The one thing that kept me with the Barkers was my feeling toward Edna. Her health wasn't very good and she sure hated to leave me. So I felt like I had been the cause of her getting started in a life of crime. So she kept telling me just as soon as I got hold of enough to start some kind of a business that we would leave them. But as things went on I got in so far I was afraid to try to quit. I will always regret I didn't arrange to have them all caught and put myself on the mercy of the court. That is what I should have done. I hope this is handled in the right way for if it is not I will be forced to protect myself from the hatred of the other prisoners. And I can't keep a good record if I am fighting with other prisoners. But surly this will be taken care of and not published. I would like to be kept in this prison if I am allowed to work. I hope I am seperated from Doc Barker. He has always had a bad influence over me and I would like to be seperated from him. I hope that the heads of the federal department have time to look this over and that it is

kept on record where it will be available in time to come when I try to get out. I also hope that if I ever get out it will be on a parole. I want it to be as strict as it can be made and I will live up to it.

So in closing I will say that the names and dates in here are as near as I can remember and that I have told the truth as near as I can remember. I will be glad to aid in any way I can on anything that comes up. I will not be associated with thieves while I am in here are if I am ever released. If I did not intend to go straight and live and honest and legitimate life I would never have done the things I have here. I would have just went ahead and got in with the hard class in here are where ever I am at and depended on their help to get away. But I don't want to be out as an escape. The life one has to live isn't worth any thing. You can't own any thing you can't know any one, you can't sleep well. You can't visit like a human with your own kinfolks. You can't marry a decent women. You can't have children are a bank account. In fact you have to live like a wild animal. And I would like to do these things. So to do them I will do my best to do what is right. I have been used by this gang of thieves and realize I have done wrong. I have talked to Mr. Farland and Mr. Norstrum and am convinced they will help me later on. Mr. Farland has been in the service of the Department of Justice for 29 years. So he must be honest and up right in his dealings. Otherwise he would have been dropped. So I am putting my life and future in his hands. I would like for my mother to have a complete copy of this also Judge Joyce. The Judge that sentenced me, and if it is giving to him to be with the understanding that it is not to be published.

I guess this is about all. Oh! yes, another thing that happened to me was when Doc Stacy sent Vern Miller to my house after that massacre in Kansas City. I was living at 219 North 2nd Ave. in Maywood, Ill. when it happened. I had forgot it so put it here. So who ever reads this can see how I was used and that I got in so deep I was afraid to leave them without their consent. But I will do my best to make good and prove myself worthy of help. I will never be associated with that class of people again

Volney Davis 47101

A SUPPLEMENT.

I have already give this information to the department. So therefore didn't include it in the other article. First I told them where John Hamiltons body could be found. Second I told them who participated in a Chicago loop mail robbery, during which a policeman was killed. Third I told them where and how one Willie Harris was killed. Fourth I told them who robbed a mail truck in Coffeerville, Kansas, and who set the job up. Fifth I told them all I knew about where and what became of one Dr. Joseph Moran. Sixth I told them how to locate William Weaver and his wife. I also will furnish any other information that I can that will aid them. I hope that the promised protection will be given me and that some day in the future I can have a chance to live a free man under parole. I entered a plea of guilt in the Bremer case and saved the government the expense of a trial. But surly in time to come I will be given my freedom if I show the right attitude toward prison life and my effort to reform. I am not a criminal at heart. I have never killed any one. I have never even been in a position to shoot at any one. Although I have been shot at on several different occasions in trying to escape. So at my age and been through what I have and seeing my mistakes as I do, if I can't ever be free it would be much more meryfull to sentence me to death than to let me languish my life away in prison. We are all susceptible to mistakes. From the highest minister to the lowest felon. But I am ready to atone for mine and intend to live a life that will prove it. I may be making a mistake in making this statement. And only be killed for my effort to do good. In knowing these fellows as I do I know thats what will happen if I am confined with them and they ever find it out. For any one that can take his fellow man that he has drinked with, ate with, slept with, and lived with, out and shoot him. Would not hesitate to stick a knife into some one that told that he did these things. So that is the position I am putting myself in if you don keep your word with me and let me serve my time where they are not at. Of course if this is kept out of the papers and away from these people named I can go on as tho nothing has happened.

I would like for the warden of what ever institution I serve my time in to be informed of my attitude. I will not cause him any regret from any favors he might show me. Seventh. I told them where Mr. Hamm was held. Two of these things have already been proved true I will underscore them. In finishing this I want to say this: Without the help and information of the following people the Gang of Barker & Karpis would have been put out of existence long ago. The names & towns follow. Tom Brown, Crumly & Sawyer & Jack Pieffer of St. Paul, Minn. These Jim McKay, Bill Graham & Scar face Sullivan of Reno, Nevada. Willie

Heeney of Chicago, Bert & Ted Angus of Toledo, Ohio. Without their help there would have been no kidnapping by this gang. And without their help they are we would have all been caught in St. Paul. Are in Reno. I am sorry I wasn't so I could get evidence against these. But maybe this will help. Hoping I have not failed are just made another mistake in doing this I will stop.

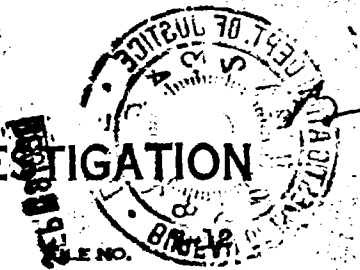
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio



REPORT MADE AT: Butte, Montana	DATE WHEN MADE: 9/4/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8/28 & 9/4/35	REPORT MADE BY: C. G. Campbell TM
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: Kidnaping - Harboring of Fugitives - Obstruction of Justice - Natl. Firearms Act
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">At Butte, Montana, mail cover placed on May Neurenberg 8-28-35. Discreet investigation being conducted regarding her associates and occupants of rooming house operated by her at 516 South Montana St., Butte.</p> <p>Reference: Report of Special Agent F. G. Tillman, St. Paul, Minnesota, 8-16-35.</p> <p>Details:</p> <p>At Butte, Montana.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Search of the City Directory discloses that May Neurenberg resides at 516 South Montana Street; is the widow of Stephen Neurenberg, and that she is the proprietor of a rooming house at that address, renting furnished rooms.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Upon interview with Assistant Postmaster Corbitt, he agreed at Agent's request to place a mail cover on May Neurenberg at this address as well as all other names of similar spelling, as stated in reference report. Mr. Corbitt advised that all further contact with the postoffice relative to this matter should be made with him alone on account of a possible "leak" if other employees were contacted. Mr. Corbitt further advised that the mail carrier on the route covering Mrs. Neurenberg's residence is thoroughly reliable; however, this carrier is not being interviewed at this time.</p>			
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To date no mail tracings have been received by this office as a result of this mail cover.

The writer contacted Deputy U. S. Marshal Dimitri Batchoff who has lived in the immediate neighborhood of Mrs. Neurenberg for a number of years. It may be stated here that Batchoff is absolutely reliable and trustworthy in every respect and has co-operated fully with this office in the past. Mr. Batchoff is well acquainted with residents of the Neurenberg neighborhood and merchants with whom she trades. He is of the opinion he will be able to ascertain the identity of Mrs. Neurenberg's associates and friends as well as some of the roomers residing in her home without exciting the least suspicion.

No further investigation in this respect is being conducted by agents of the Butte office at this time pending results of the discreet investigation being conducted by Deputy Marshal Batchoff.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The BUTTE OFFICE will immediately report any mail tracings received by this office as a result of the mail cover placed on May Neurenberg.

Will also report the results of the discreet investigation being conducted by Deputy Marshal Batchoff relative to the associates and residents in the home of Mrs. Neurenberg.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
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September 7, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:- RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
Fugitive - I.O. 1218, et al -
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING, etc.

I am enclosing herewith a corrected page 50, to
be inserted in the summary report of Special Agent R. B.
Donaldson, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, on August 17, 1935.

Very truly yours,



R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl. *W. E. H. K.*

cc - Cincinnati *6*
Chicago,
St. Paul
U. S. Attorney, Miami, Fla.
Special Asst. to Att'y General,
Walter L. Barlow,
New York (For Mr. J.H.Hanson)

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Regarding the Buick Sedan, driven by Karpis and Campbell, from Miami, Florida, to Atlantic City, N.J., where it was recovered, the following facts as to recovery have been determined:

On arrival at Atlantic City the car was parked with keys in it in front of the Danmor Hotel. Owen Roberts, a bell boy at this hotel went to the room occupied by Karpis and Campbell to deliver a pint of whiskey. They asked Roberts for the name of a nearby garage. He suggested the Coast Garage whereupon they told him to have the car stored. Roberts told Dan Young, hotel clerk on duty to have the car stored. Young called the Coast Garage and one James Smoot, a garage attendant came and stored the car. There seem to be no witnesses at the garage who ever saw Karpis and Campbell.

Detective Arch Witham of the Atlantic City Police Department states he saw the car at the Coast Garage and observed it bore Florida license plates listed on the radio alarm; that he later checked the motor number on said car after it had been removed to the Police Department. He has no original notes and cannot remember the number.

Special Agent B. F. Meekins examined the numbers on this car, and made notes on same. They cannot now be located. However, this data was turned over to Agent J. R. Sharpe, who incorporated same in his report of 2-5-35, further that verification of said numbers in the report was made.

The car was also examined by Agents J. R. Sharpe and H. O. Schroeder while it was still at Atlantic City, N.J. In each and every instance the numbers were found to agree with those on the car purchased at Miami, Florida. Agent Sharpe has a note of the numbers he noted while examining this car.

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
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P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.
O. 1235; WILLIAM WEAVER, with aliases,
I.O. 1238; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with
aliases, I.O. 1239; MYRTLE EATON,
with aliases, I.O. 1241, ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

With reference to my teletype message of August 30th, 1935
there are inclosed herewith four pictures of the scene where
building was burned January 5th, 1935 and where burned body
was found January 6th, 1935, (picture of body previously
forwarded). The place is located on property of Herman
Hitzeman, South of U. S. Highway No. 20 about one mile east
of Ontarioville, Illinois. The place where body was found
is 95 paces south of the Highway to the west of the side road
which leads in here. It is designated as per advertising scene
and guide post as Steffenguide Corner 184 Dupage County, Ontario-
ville, Illinois being to the west, Addison to the east and Schick
to the South. The house was 16 paces from the side road and all
other farm houses in the vicinity are about one-half mile distant.
One report is that two people entered as per tracks in the snow
from an automobile and one person's tracks showed in leaving.

With reference to the watch which was found near to the burned
torso and described as an Elgin wrist watch bearing No. 32,166,
666 and case No. 0,211813 size 6/0 Grade 428, Chrome nickel case

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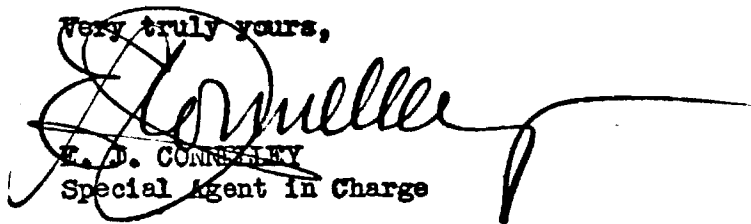
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manufactured by Elgin Watch Company in 1928 and sold in February 1929 and record, of to whom sold, not available and jewelers repair marking on case of C-633 it is believed the following identifies this watch as the watch of William J. Harrison: Jeweler William T. Crosby, 56 Clinton Street, Hammond, Indiana produced his records to show that he did the following repair job No. 633 (the C stands for Crosby as marked on case) "August 21, Billie Harrison 3/0 Elgin 15 Jewels No. 32166666 nickel No. 0211813, mainspring and click \$2.00 (Bill)". Crosby advises that William J. Harrison whom he called "Billie" and whose picture he identifies and who he knew for 6 or 7 years had this watch repaired as indicated.

There is inclosed to Bureau two photostatic copies of the page from repair book of Jeweler Crosby upon which this record appears.

Agent J. L. Madala in co-operation with Kansas City Office is interviewing Elmer Farmer at U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth today in order to get a statement from him as to killing of Willie Harrison.

Very truly yours,


E. D. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
September 7, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
Fugitive, I.O. 1218; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-30

Reference is made to telegram from this office to the Bureau under date of September 5, 1935 advising that Special Agent J. E. Brennan is under subpoena to appear in the above entitled case at St. Paul, Minnesota, the morning of September 10, 1935.

Mr. Tamm telephoned from the Bureau yesterday and advised that it would be preferable to the Bureau if arrangements could be made so that Agent Brennan's presence would not be necessary in St. Paul until the week following Saturday, September 14, 1935.

I conferred with United States Attorney George Sullivan, who is entirely agreeable to having Agent Brennan report to the Grand Jury the morning of September 16th instead of September 10th. This information was immediately conveyed to Mr. Tamm by telephone.

For the information of the Bureau, Mr. Sullivan is making arrangements to present the entire Bremer case to the Grand Jury commencing September 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Saint Louis, Missouri
September 7, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St. N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of September 3, 1935, requesting that each field office review its file and ascertain the number of photographs of subjects and suspects in the above case which will be needed to conduct further investigation in the respective offices.

Please be advised that on August 9th this office addressed a letter to the Bureau, requesting that twenty photographs of each of the subjects be forwarded to this office.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Vetterli
R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

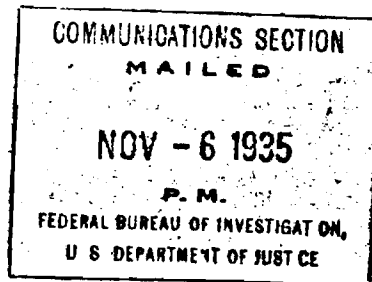
In keeping with your request of recent date,
I am forwarding to you herewith twenty copies each of
the photographs of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell and
Charles Joseph Fitzgerald.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc St. Paul
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
September 6, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith an article
appearing in the Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City, Wednes-
day, September 4, 1935, with respect to William Weaver,
which I thought might be of interest to you.

Very truly yours,

OWEN T. BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FILE NO. 7-33

REPORT MADE AT San Francisco, Calif.	DATE WHEN MADE 9/3/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/22-24/35	REPORT MADE BY J.A. Cimperman - MC
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE - I.O. #1218 HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1235, ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Harold McBeth identified Karpis from photograph as being in Eureka, California, on 8/13 or 14/34. Again on 8/30/34 and in November, 1934. Saw person resembling Campbell in Eureka about January, 1935. E.A. Friend, formerly part owner of Tom Tib Club, told Officer Sage of Eureka Police Department, Karpis in Eureka in May, 1935. Friend unavailable for interview. Howard Colwell, owner of Beer Garden, states saw person resembling Karpis on street in front of Beer Parlor in May, 1935.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent F.C. Dorwart, dated at San Francisco, California, August 14, 1935.</p> <p>DETAILS: AT EUREKA, CALIFORNIA.</p> <p>Upon receiving a recent description of subject Karpis from Special Agent Angus M. Taylor, Jr. of the San Francisco Bureau Office, Mr. Archie Kirkpatrick, Officer of the Eureka Police Department, when subsequently contacted by Special Agent M.W. Acers, San Francisco Bureau Office, stated that after he had received the recent description of Karpis, he started to tie up all the connections outstanding in Eureka that might lead to the location of subject Karpis and stated that he had spoken to a Mr. Howard Colwell who operates a Beer Parlor on Second and "F" Streets, and who told him that he</p>			
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had seen a person resembling Karpis around May, 1935. Mr. Kirkpatrick also stated to Agent Acers that a Harold McBeth, who runs a General Notion Store at 103 - 5th Street, Eureka, stated to him that he had seen a person resembling the photograph and answering the description of subject Karpis at the Tom Tib Club in August, 1934. Mr. Kirkpatrick also stated that he had obtained information from his officer partner, James Sage, that a Mr. E. A. Friend had told Officer Sage that he had reliable information that Karpis was in Eureka in May, 1935, but that this information was not to be passed on as he was liable to be signing his death warrant in doing so; that never a word should be breathed that he had given the information and that he should not be contacted by anyone else.

Subsequent to the acquisition of this information by Agent M. W. Acers from Mr. Kirkpatrick, Agent contacted Harold McBeth, who owns the above mentioned General Notion Store located at 103 - 5th St. which store is directly below the Tom Tib Club, said place being operated by one Joe Cirmelli, alias "Tibby", the stairway entrance of which club adjoins his store and which entrance he is able to see from the inside, and he is therefor in an advantageous position to notice all the entrants to the Tom Tib Club.

Mr. Harold McBeth stated that he first saw a man who he is positive answered the photograph and description of subject Karpis around August 13th or 14th, 1934, at the Tom Tib Club. He states that he is able to remember August 13th or 14th, as being the approximate dates, because it was just about a week after he had returned from his vacation. He states that at this particular time, which was around 11.45 p.m. he was sitting in a private room of the Tom Tib Club playing pinocle with several other men. That he saw this person resembling Karpis talking to someone in the hallway, but he was unable to say who this particular individual was. He states that several minutes later, the person resembling Karpis stood at the door entrance of the private room in which he (McBeth) was playing cards for about fifteen or twenty minutes and watched the game, but did not speak to anyone. Mr. McBeth further states that while so standing in the doorway, he noticed that this person had a scar over one eye and appeared to be about twenty five to twenty eight years of age; about five feet, nine inches or ten inches in height; weight about 135 pounds; had dark brown hair and was wearing a light cap and brown overcoat; that while he stood in the doorway, he had his hand in his overcoat pocket all the time; that the overcoat appeared to be a little large for him and that it was possible he may have had guns underneath, or in the side pockets of the overcoat.

Mr. McBeth states that about two weeks later around 8.00 P.M. he saw this same individual (Karpis) as he (Karpis) was going up the stairway to the Tom Tib Club and that he saw him from his store window. He states that he came in a cab and was wearing a gray tweed overcoat and hat, but that he did not see him leave, nor did he go up to the Tom Tib Club that night. A photograph of subject Karpis, in which he is wearing a hat, was also shown Mr. McBeth by agent, from which he definitely identified this particular individual as being Karpis.

Mr. McBeth states that he again saw this individual during the last part of October or the first part of November, 1934, at which time he, Karpis, was again going into the Tom Tib Club. He states that he, Karpis, was alone and was wearing an overcoat, unable to state the exact color and that it was buttoned, as it was raining that night. He states that this was around 8.00 or 9.00 P.M. which was around closing time and also stated that he did not see this individual leave the Tom Tib Club, nor did he go there himself that night and that this was the last time he saw this individual.

Mr. Howard Colwell, who operates a beer garden at Second and "F" Streets, stated to agent that he saw an individual about May, 1935, around thirty years of age, about 5' 9" tall, wearing a light colored cap; brown hair, weighing about 145 pounds; fair complexion and medium build and with a scar over one eye (does not know which one) noticeable at close range, but probably invisible at a distance of ten or fifteen feet.

Mr. Colwell further stated that it looked like a pretty good piece of surgery and that it extended across the entire eyebrow and that the person had a high forehead. Mr. Colwell also stated that he was accompanied by Mel Smith, alias "Big Mel", who, Officer Kirkpatrick stated, was a member of the Ed Quinonan's gang of San Francisco and who, at the present time, is bartender for Jack Davis at the "Shanty" in Eureka. Mr. Colwell states that he saw this individual on the street in front of his beer parlor and that he was either walking down Second Street on his way to the "Shanty" or he had come out of the Star Rooms, which is directly across the street from his place of business.

Photographs of Karpis were also shown Mr. Colwell by agent and he stated that this individual resembled the picture of subject Karpis and answered the description, but that he could not positively state that this individual is Karpis.

Mr. James Sage, Eureka Police Department, was also contacted by agent and Sage attempted to get Mr. E.A. Friend, Lieutenant Eureka Fire Police, 724 "M" Street, who was formerly a part owner of the Tom Tib Club, for the purpose of an interview by agent, but Mr. Friend was not at home and had previously advised Mr. Sage that he did not want to be contacted by anyone and that if he was so contacted he would not disclose any information, and requested Mr. Sage not to disclose his name to the Federal Authorities, although he states that he would be willing to give any information he had in his possession to Mr. Sage, which, in turn, could be submitted to the Federal Authorities by Mr. Sage, but that he wanted to keep his name entirely out of the matter as he did not want to get into any trouble or get "bumped off" later on.

Officer Sage stated that Mr. Friend told him that he had a part ownership of the Tom Tib Club from May 1, 1935, until July 15, 1935; that while so working at that place, Friend told him (Sage) that he had heard various rumors from sources inside the Tom Tib Club (unable to recall any names) to the effect that Karpis was at the Tom Tib Club in May, 1935, at which time they also had a special banquet for him, but that he did not know the names of any of the parties who attended the above banquet and would attempt to get their names for him, Sage, but that same would take about two weeks time as he wanted to be very cautious in his movements.

Agent attempted to contact Mr. Friend at 724 "M" Street, but he was not at home at the time of agent's call. Neighborhood inquiries disclosed that Friend had gone on a weeks trip into the mountains and could not be contacted until his return.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that Johnnie Hurley, former police officer of the Eureka Police Department, was discharged from the service sometime ago, as he had become involved in some trouble over prostitutes. Kirkpatrick states that Hurley is now living at the Vance Hotel with a prostitute and spends most of his time hanging around the Tom Tib Club and is very intimate with the owners, but that it would be impossible to get any information from him as he had formerly told him, Kirkpatrick, that if anybody was to offer him a bribe he would accept it.

Mr. Kirkpatrick also states that at the time of the Weyerhaeuser kidnaping case, it was mentioned in the papers that Karpis was connected with the job, and Hurley stated that Karpis had nothing to do with the kidnaping and that the Federal Authorities were not smart enough to catch Karpis and that he knows plenty about it. He also stated that Mr. Hurley keeps company with another prostitute by the name of "Jerry" and lives at the Mission Rooming House on 3rd & East Streets.

Mr. Kirkpatrick also stated that the other owners of the Tom Tib Club are Bud Tracy, a Norton Getliff and a Phillip Simpson, the latter being former bootleggers and who ran the DeLuxe Club at the corner

of 6th & "C" Streets, which place was burned about April, 1935; that there is a suspicion of arson against them, but the investigation has not, as yet, been completed by the insurance company.

Mr. Kirkpatrick further states that Getliff and Simpson have acted rather suspicious and have made frequent trips out to sea in a fishing boat, the name of which is unknown, as well as their mission, although they are alleged to be out at sea fishing.

Mr. Kirkpatrick states that Scotty Phelan, Game Warden of Humboldt County, California State Department of Fish and Game, and a person who has worked for Kirkpatrick previously, is going to try to ascertain the name of the boat and make a search of Shelter Cove at the southern part of the coast in Humboldt County to see if he finds anyone who resembles the person described in this report and who is supposed to be Al Karpis.

Mr. Phelan is also going to try to ascertain the name of the boat and the nature of these trips made by these parties.

It is to be noted that all of the above persons interviewed stated that if they should ever see the person resembling Karpis again, they will immediately communicate with the San Francisco Bureau Office.

It is also to be noted that report of Special Agent R.D. Brown, dated at Chicago, Illinois, on 9/19/34, reflects that Karpis was in Cleveland, Ohio, prior to August 21, 1934.

It was deemed inadvisable by agent to contact Mel Smith or Hurley at this time, inasmuch as Officer Kirkpatrick informed that they would give no information, and limit his investigation to sources of information in connection with this case.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE SAN FRANCISCO BUREAU OFFICE: At Eureka, California, will re-interview Officer Archie Kirkpatrick for any additional information he may have obtained in this matter, and, accompanied by Officer James Sage, will interview Mr. E.A. Friend, 724 "M" Street, relative to his information that Karpis was in Eureka in May, 1935, at which time a banquet was had for Karpis at the Tom Tib Club.

Will also interview Scotty Phelan, Game Warden of Humboldt County, for any information he may have obtained around Shelter Cove.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Cincinnati, Ohio.

Jax FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Florida.	DATE WHEN MADE Sept. 6, 1935.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Sept. 3, 1935.	REPORT MADE BY J. P. Lacour.
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. # 1218, FUGITIVE, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Andrew Gurante bears fair reputation Jacksonville, Fla. Nothing dishonest known concerning his business dealings, although present source of income not known, and is considered shiftless and a "bull" artist. No property owned by Gurante located in the records of Duval County.

REFERENCE:

Report of Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, New York City, August 26, 1935.

DETAILS:

AT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA:

Dave Myerson, Manager of the Carling Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida, advised that he has known Andrew Gurante for approximately nine years; that although he has known him this length of time he does not consider himself intimately acquainted with Gurante, as he does not know the source of his income, his reputation in the community from which he comes, or any other pertinent details, however, stating that he knows nothing derogatory against Gurante's character, nothing which would indicate that his statements could not be treated as absolutely truthful; that he first knew Gurante during the real estate boom in Florida, at which time Gurante was trading and trafficking in real estate, as many other individuals were doing, more or less entirely upon paper, and when the boom ended he had nothing to show for his efforts in Florida except unpaid bills.

Mr. Myerson was very evasive in his answers concerning his knowledge of Gurante and, when questioned whether or not he had ever written letters of recommendation for Gurante, with particular reference to whether or not he

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had ever written a letter in the Fall of 1934 to the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami recommending Gurante as a hotel man, he stated that he could not say; that it was possible he had, and, if so, since he knew nothing derogatory concerning Gurante, his letter was then a mere form letter to that effect; that he is called upon to write many such letters, and does not keep copies of them on file.

M. H. Myerson, Attorney at Law, Jacksonville, Florida, referred to by Andrew Gurante in his statement which he dictated for Assistant Special Agent in Charge Hanson, advised that he has known Gurante approximately the same length of time as his brother, Dave Myerson; that his candid opinion is that Gurante is a man with a nice personality, good manner and approach, a good line of "bull", but a person in whom he would not put very much trust, as it has been his observation that statements made by Gurante have not always proven to be as represented. He states that Gurante, to some extent, has his brother a little bit fooled, but that he, personally, always considered Gurante as a potential "Con" man, and that he personally knows that Gurante has in the past had many shady connections.

M. H. Myerson states that Gurante was hired by the Carling Hotel as House Detective, and fired due to the fact that he had tried to make arrangements with the Bell Captain whereby he and the Bell Captain would furnish all liquors to patrons in the hotel through one bootlegger, thereby receiving a cut or pay-off, and that they would direct the traffic of women in said hotel; that this matter was reported to the Management by the Bell Captain, which caused the dismissal of Gurante. However, Dave Myerson stated that Gurante was employed in a temporary position, which could have no specific title or duties, and that his employment was terminated without hard feelings. This, however, was as far as Dave Myerson would go concerning this employment.

None of Gurante's contacts in the real estate business, so far as could be learned from the above named individuals, are still in Jacksonville. They stated that Gurante was a floater in the real estate business, coming in on a shoestring and leaving the same way, and neither of them knew of any present holdings which Gurante might have in Florida, particularly in Duval County.

A check of the general index of Deeds and Property Records in the office of the Circuit Court of Duval County from 1923 to date fails to reveal any present real estate holdings in the name of Andrew Gurante. However, these records do reflect that on November 4, 1925, A. S. Guarantee acquired from C. L. Black and wife Lots 1 to 50 in Block 7, Hogan Annex, which is unimproved property in South Jacksonville, and that on December 30, 1925, Andrew S. Guarantee deeded the same property to A. J. Hazouri,

both transactions taking place by warranty deed. These are the only entries in the record books which show the acquisition or transfer of any property by Gurante. It is believed that A. S. (Andrew S.) Guarantee is identical with Andrew Gurante.

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September 7, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Buffalo, New York.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREWER - Victim; Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

The Bureau has observed numerous newspaper items in which it has appeared that Karpis recently escaped a trap set for him by Special Agents of the Bureau at Saratoga Springs, New York.

To date no information has been forthcoming from the Buffalo office with regard to this matter and it is requested that the Bureau be advised immediately concerning any investigation conducted by the Buffalo office in connection therewith.

Very truly yours,
For the Director,

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Harold Nathan,
Assistant Director.

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Karpis Reported at Saratoga

Spa Hears Outlaw Has Been Playing Races—
His Alleged Aid Slips Past Police.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, Aug. 29 (A. P.).—Reports that Alvin Karpis, the notorious Minnesota kidnaper escaped a Federal trap set at the height of the racing season here spread through Saratoga Springs today, but no confirmation was forthcoming from Federal or city authorities.

At the same time it was disclosed at Northampton, Mass., that one of Karpis's supposed aids in the notorious Bremer kidnaping in St. Paul—William Elmer Mead—slipped through the hands of the Northampton, Mass., police on July 12.

The reports of Karpis's escape persisted in the night clubs of the Saratoga Springs area, and the Saratoga Springs Saratogian quoted an undisclosed "source close to Federal authorities" as saying that Karpis had been traced to a farm house on nearby Loughberry Lake, but disappeared six hours before a Federal raid had been planned on August 16.

Said to Have Lost Heavily.

The colorful racing season is the lure that drew Karpis to Saratoga Springs—if he actually was here—and, according to the night club reports, the criminal lost a good deal of money to the book makers during his three-day stay. The Saratogian says Karpis later was traced to Boston and Providence. This could not be confirmed.

Mead, one of Karpis's suspected lieutenants in the Bremer kidnaping, is known to have been operating within 100 miles of the resort as recently as July 12, when he was arrested in Northampton on traffic violation charges.

Under an assumed name Mead posted \$200 bond and left the city without his automobile. A check of mutilated fingerprints on the car disclosed that its occupant had been the Karpis lieutenant, and that he also was wanted in Jacksonville, Fla., in connection with a mail holdup.

Karpis recently was reported to have mailed to Washington from Ohio a threat against the life of J. Edgar Hoover, head of the G men who have been tracking down public enemies. Other such threats were branded as fakes.

County Inquiry Sought.

Concurrent with the Karpis report, G. Rowland Munroe, attorney for the National Crime Prevention League, announced it was appealing

to Gov. Herbert H. Lehman to investigate Saratoga county.

The league said it was sending a letter to the Governor charging that the Saratoga racing season "has afforded a rich harvest for the underworld characters who have thronged there and operated without any apparent fear of interference."

Gov. Lehman was out of town today, and his office said it did not know whether he had received the league's letter.

The league said it had asked the Governor to order an investigation of alleged rackets and gambling in Saratoga county. It also

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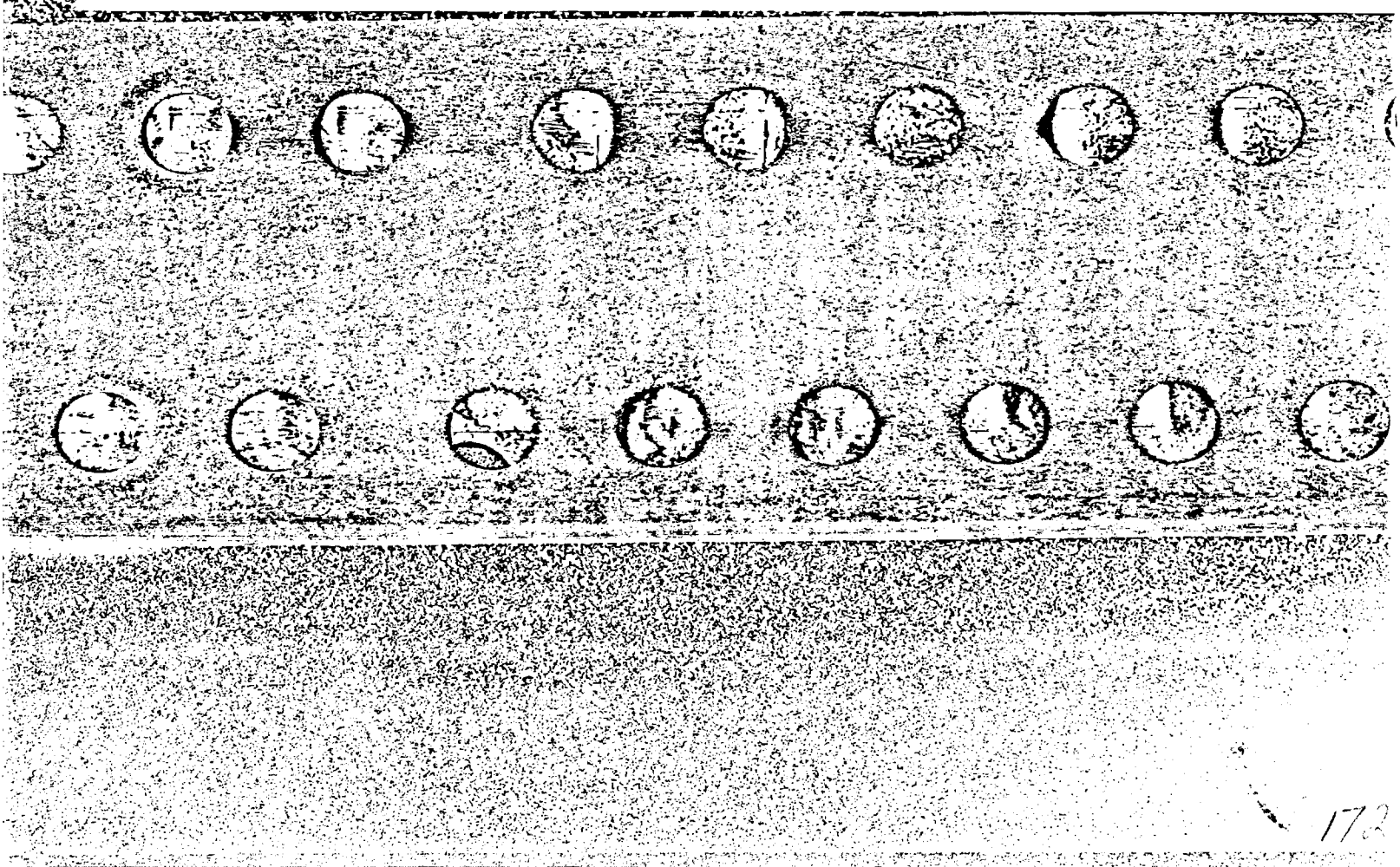
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BREXID EUGENE BOWLING PROCEEDING PORT ORANGE FLORIDA TODAY PURSUANT YOUR
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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

September 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Trenton, New Jersey

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE
I.O. #1218; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent F. M. Ames, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated August 28, 1935, which contains an undeveloped lead requesting investigation at Vineland, New Jersey, for information concerning subject Karpis and his antecedents.

Examination of the file in this matter indicates that the alleged information on which this undeveloped lead is based was without foundation. A report submitted by Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, Michigan, dated April 9, 1935, covers this matter.

It is suggested that the undeveloped lead in the report of Special Agent Ames be disregarded.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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cc Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul
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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

September 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

In connection with the services of Miss IRVINE MYNIHAN as matron, in reference to the custody of Myrtle Eaton at Jacksonville, and transportation of this person to St. Paul, Minnesota, Miss Mynihan was engaged by you on Sunday night September 1, 1935, for guard duty, and thereafter due to the transportation of these persons to St. Paul was on continuous duty from that time until 12.30 P.M. Tuesday, September 3, 1935 in watching this prisoner, and then proceeded en route to Jacksonville, Florida.

She left St. Paul at 3.30 P.M. via Chicago and Northwestern Railway to Chicago, and thence by C. and E.I. Railway out of Chicago for Jacksonville at 11.30 P.M. on the night of September 3, 1935, which would place her in Jacksonville the morning of September 5, 1935. Special Agent in Charge H. E. Andersen arranged for the travel of this woman on Government transportation request, and he should furnish you with the numbers of the requests used, in making up an expense account for this employee.

Transportation request was also issued for seat in Chicago and Northwestern Railway car (not a Pullman), from St. Paul to Chicago, as to which the St. Paul office also should furnish you with the number of the request. Through inadvertence they arranged only for request from St. Paul to Chicago for the seat, and did not obtain a thru-lower berth for her, and it was necessary for her to pay cash at Chicago for her lower berth to Jacksonville, and in order that she would have sufficient funds for travel I advanced her personally ten dollars, which she will furnish to you for return to me.

Provided you have not already done so you should obtain the necessary authority for expenditures indicated, and also a travel authority in connection with her travel. She left Jacksonville at 7.30

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A.K. eastern standard time September 2, 1935, and arrived in St. Paul at 4.40 P.M. central standard time September 2, 1935. It will be necessary to prepare for her the usual voucher for personal services, and also an expense account for her travel to St. Paul as above indicated.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

Special Agent in Charge.

EJC:JMS

CC Bureau
CC St. Paul

Post Office Box 815
Saint Paul, Minnesota
September 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-30

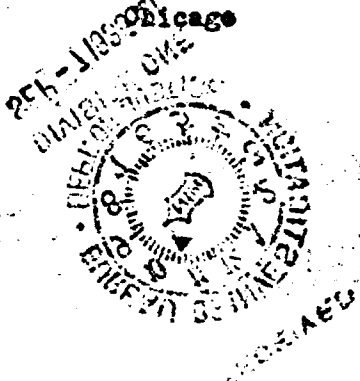
There is being transmitted under separate cover a pair of Peerless handcuffs, Serial No. 98517, and key, which Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley turned over to me after using same in the transportation of WILLIAM KAVAR from Jacksonville to St. Paul. Mr. Connelley has advised me that these handcuffs are the property of the Jacksonville Office.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Kansas City, Missouri, September 5, 1935.

Dwight Brantley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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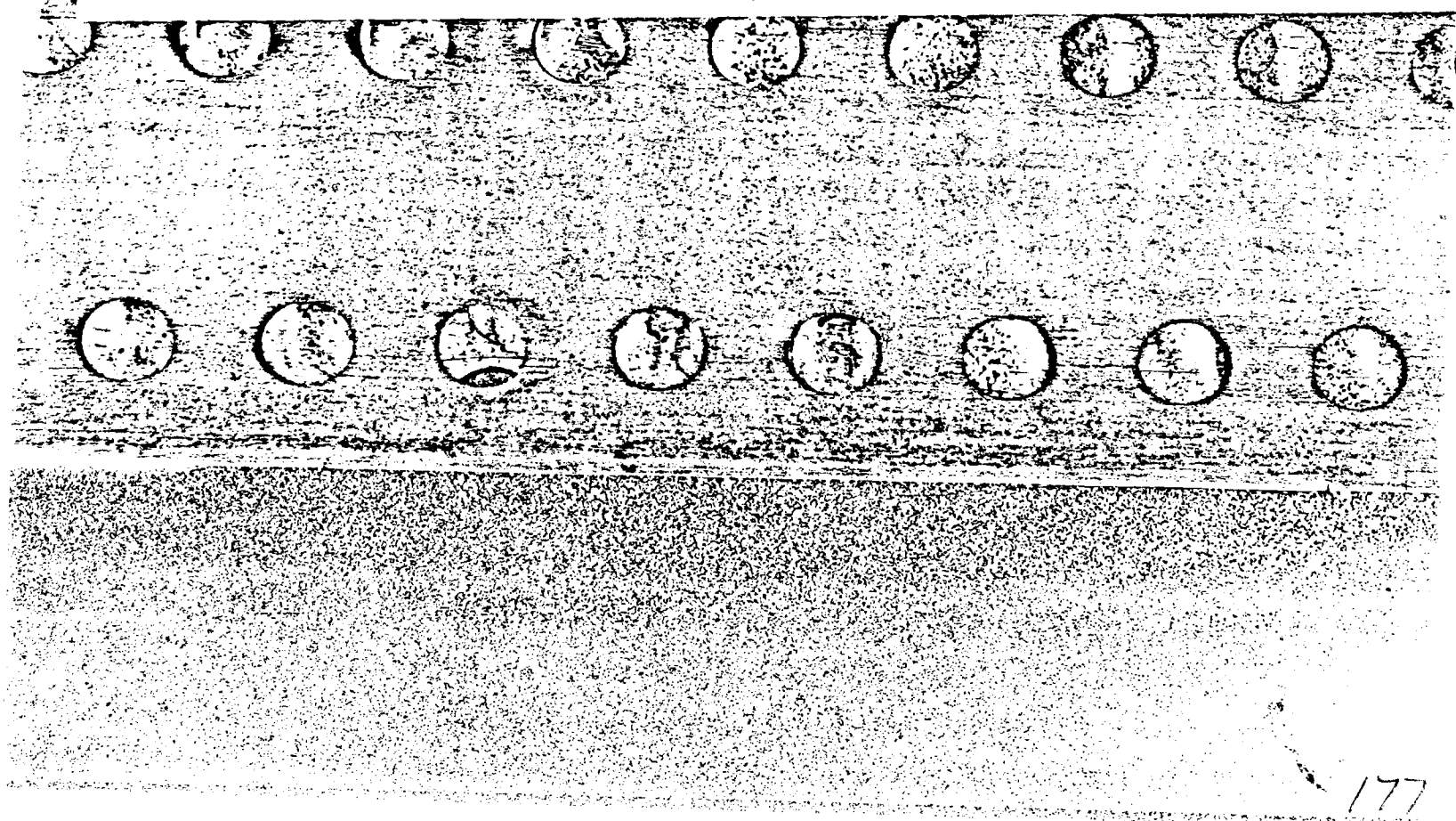
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Edward George Bremer



Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
September 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-30

Under date of August 30, 1935 the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, forwarded to this office a letter from the law firm of Drill, Drill and Rensch, St. Paul, Minnesota, requesting that the following property which was taken from the apartment of MRS. HARRY SAWYER, located at West 171st Street, Cleveland, by Bureau Agents, be returned to her. This property is described as follows:

- 1 Bar pin, set with 3 diamonds and 2 sapphires
- 1 Throw made up of two silver foxes, matched furs, valued at \$850.00
- Miscellaneous property not described.

Upon receipt of the communication from the United States Attorney I conferred with him and he suggested that the property in question be returned to MRS. SAWYER, stating that it is of no evidentiary value in the BREMER case. Accordingly, it is suggested that this property be forwarded to St. Paul in order that it may be properly disposed of.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

HEA:ACF

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Cincinnati
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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

September 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
WILLIAM FLEVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT. b7c b7d

In connection with the work of [redacted] confidential informant at Chicago, Illinois during the period of August 24 to 27, 1935, when he left en route to Los Angeles, and as to which he should reach Los Angeles on or about August 31, 1935, he was paid \$10.00 by me on August 24; \$5.00 on August 26, and \$15.00 on August 27. He was also furnished with \$15.75 to purchase a berth from Chicago to Los Angeles, which makes a total of \$45.75 paid to him by me.

I also understand from conversation with him that on August 8th he was paid by the Special Agent in Charge at Los Angeles \$161.00 representing \$86.00 for a ticket, \$15.75 for Pullman, and the additional money for expenses. He was also furnished on August 10th at Oklahoma City by Acting Special Agent in Charge J. B. Little \$25.00, as well as being furnished \$15.00 by Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd at Kansas City, or a total of \$246.75.

This information is furnished to you in order that the records may indicate definitely what has been paid to this individual in connection with his services previously arranged for, in order that he could make the necessary inquiries at Oklahoma City, Kansas City and Chicago looking to the location of persons who might have information as to the whereabouts of the remaining fugitives in this case.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

September 5, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232
HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I.O. 1236
WILLIAM WEAVER with aliases, I.O. 1238
WILLIAM J. HARRISON with aliases, I.O. 1239
MYRTLE EATON with aliases, I.O. 1241 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim - KIDNAPING;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to your letter of September 3, 1935,
enclosing copy of a letter prepared by VOLNEY DAVIS for mailing to
Edward G. Bremer.

In view of the rather substantial developments based
upon information previously furnished by Volney Davis I believe that
the statement in his letter as now prepared to Mr. Bremer reading:
"I intend to cooperate with the Department of Justice in every way I
can to try to help right some of the wrong I have done", is an undesir-
able statement, and being familiar with the possibility as to informa-
tion which might get into the hands of Mr. Bremer it is believed that
if this letter is to be sent, this statement should be eliminated.
This might lead to the identification of or a suspicion of Davis having
furnished us with certain information which has been of material value,
and it is believed that a supplemental parole report at a later date
for the file of Volney Davis, setting out the information he furnished
us, or rather the results obtained from information furnished to us by
him, would be of even more material value to him when his date of parole
arrives, than what Mr. Bremer could do for him at that time.

I am therefore returning the original letter to you,
with the idea in mind that possibly the first page should be re-written,
eliminating the objectionable sentence above referred to.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati
St. Paul
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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
September 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
I.O. 1218, FUGITIVE; ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING
St. Paul File No. 7-30

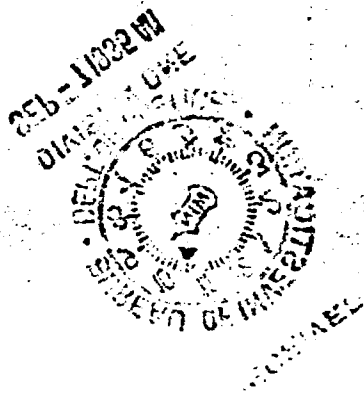
There is transmitted herewith one
copy each of the fingerprints of MYRTLE KATON and WILLIAM
WEAVER, subjects in the above entitled case. Similar copies
were forwarded to the Bureau recently, and one copy of each
is being retained in the file of this office.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas
September 5th, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218 -
FUGITIVE; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NAT'L. FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your telephonic request yesterday, this office contacted Mr. Eugene Bowling, Salem, Arkansas, nephew of Phoenix Donald, alias William Weaver and acquainted him with Donald's instructions to proceed immediately to Port Orange, Florida and take over his chicken ranch and property at that place.

Mr. Eugene Bowling called at the Little Rock Office today enroute to Port Orange, Florida and was instructed by the writer to stop off at Jacksonville and contact Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, who would furnish him with directions for reaching Donald's property. Mr. Bowling was also advised that Phoenix Donald had written him a letter of instructions and had addressed it to him in care of General Delivery at Port Orange, Florida.

Very truly yours,

R. L. SHIVERS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Room 1403,
370 Lexington Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

September 7, 1935

JHH:or
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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

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RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

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Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated August 31, 1935 concerning the report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, New York City, dated August 26, 1935 in this case, and particularly concerning the information that had been furnished by Mr. Andrew Gurante.

Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, was in New York on September 5, 1935, at which time he conferred with Assistant Special Agent in Charge Hanson concerning Gurante.

During the conference with Mr. Barlow the latter requested that in addition to the investigation which is to be conducted by the Jacksonville office at Jacksonville to determine if Dave Myerson had communicated with subject Joe Adams concerning Gurante, the Jacksonville office should contact subject Joseph H. Adams and his father-in-law, Mr. Robert T. Knight, under an appropriate pretext to determine if they will admit, especially Adams, having had conversations with Gurante. Mr. Barlow suggested that possibly the agent handling this inquiry could inform these two gentlemen that Gurante was under investigation by this Bureau, the agent giving no indication that it is in connection with this case, and mention to them that information was secured to the effect that Gurante had approached them in an effort to secure the position

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of manager of the coffee shop and barroom facilities in the El Comodoro Hotel. Efforts should be made to learn why Adams did not hire Gurante; also whether Adams communicated with the various references mentioned by Gurante in his statement. Efforts should be made to determine if Gurante assisted Adams in drawing up plans for the coffee shop and barroom. In other words, Mr. Barlow is desirous of endeavoring to substantiate some of the items in Gurante's statement and if Adams and Knight admit having had contact with Gurante, it will do this to a certain extent.

Attached hereto is another copy of the unsigned statement made by Gurante on August 22, 1935 which is being forwarded to the Bureau for transmittal to Mr. Barlow, who advised that he had not received a copy of this statement with his copy of the above mentioned report.

Two copies of this letter are being directed to the Jacksonville office in order that it can conduct the investigation requested by Mr. Barlow.

Very truly yours,


R. WHITLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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2cc - Chicago (E. J. Connelley)
cc - Cincinnati
cc - St. Paul

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September 13, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALTER L. BARLOW,
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

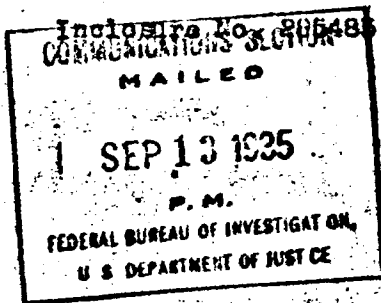
Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

I am transmitting herewith a copy of a statement dated at New York, New York, August 22, 1935, made by Andrew Gurante to Special Agent J. H. Hanson of the New York City Office of this Bureau.

It is observed that a copy of this statement was not attached to a copy of the report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, dated at New York City, August 26, 1935, in the above entitled case, which was previously transmitted to you.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE NO. **7-30**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE: 9/7/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 8/12-31; 9/1-6/35	REPORT MADE BY: R. C. SURAN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE. ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

WILLIAM WEAVER refuses to admit or discuss his part in the kidnaping of **EDWARD GEORGE BREMER** but admits associating with other Subjects of this case in St. Paul, Minn., and elsewhere. Admits he was in St. Paul on date **BREMER** kidnaped. **MYRTLE EATON** denies participating in kidnaping or ransom exchange. Admits association with **WILLIAM WEAVER** and acquaintance with other Subjects. Admits knowing **WEAVER** was a fugitive wanted in connection with this case while she was living with him near Harbor Oaks, Florida, during the year 1935. Telephone tap maintained on telephone of **BELLE BORN**, Mankato, Minn., since Aug. 12, 1935 has produced no tangible results.

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REFERENCE:

Reports of Special Agent **F. G. Tillman**, St. Paul, Minnesota dated August 16, 1935 and August 19, 1935.

DETAILS:

DETAILS:

Subject **WILLIAM WEAVER** and **MYRTLE EATON** arrived in St. Paul, Minnesota, by plane from Jacksonville, Florida on September 2, 1935, at which time they were immediately brought to the St. Paul Office where Subject **WEAVER** was questioned by Special Agent in Charge Connelley, Special Agents **R. D. Brown**, and **R. C. Suran**. Subsequently on September 3, 1935, Subject **Weaver** was turned over

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>H. E. Anderson</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-7274 SEP - 9 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: FILE	RECORDED AND INDEXED: SEP 9 - 1935 CHECKED OFF: SEP 12 1935 JACKETED:
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to the custody of the United States Marshal at St. Paul, Minnesota and remanded to the Ramsey County Jail in default of \$50,000 bond. Subject EATON upon her arrival in St. Paul, Minnesota, was brought to the St. Paul Office where she was questioned by Special Agent Sullivan and subsequently on September 3, 1935, she was turned over to the custody of the United States Marshal, St. Paul, Minnesota and remanded to the Ramsey County Jail in default of \$15,000 bond.

Both Subjects WEAVER and EATON have been intermittently questioned by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan since they were apprehended by Bureau Agents at Harbor Oaks, Florida on September 1, 1935, and the questioning of these individuals continued by Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and R. C. Suran since their confinement in the Ramsey County Jail.

WILLIAM WEAVER advised Special Agent R. C. Suran that his true name is PHOENIX DONALD; that he was born at Little Rock, Ark., on Dec. 13, 1896 and that he at the present time has two sisters Mrs. Nellie Frazier, Mammoth Springs, Ark., and Mrs. W. T. Bowling, sister, Salem, Ark; that his parents are deceased. WEAVER stated that during the year 1924 he met and began to associate with an individual known as BLACKIE THOMPSON and that with this man he engaged in several bank robberies in the state of Oklahoma, and that after one of these robberies he was being pursued by a posse and that he shot and killed one of his pursuers; that BLACKIE THOMPSON was captured and sentenced to the Oklahoma State Penitentiary shortly thereafter; that he, Weaver, was captured in November, 1924 at Selma, Ark., where he was kidnaped from that state and returned to the state of Oklahoma and convicted on the charge of murder, receiving a life sentence, entering the Oklahoma State Penitentiary in April of 1925 and was paroled therefrom in June, 1931.

WEAVER stated that after being paroled from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary he proceeded to Joplin, Missouri and was residing in the vicinity of Joplin, Missouri, at the time FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS murdered Sheriff Kelley at West Plains, Missouri. He stated that after this murder FRED BARKER drove the Buick car which had been used in the crime to the vicinity of his, Weaver's home, where BARKER

abandoned it with two flat tires and threw the key away, and thereafter proceeded to Weaver's home and requested Weaver for assistance, which was given him. WEAVER stated that he then realized that he might become involved in the murder of Sheriff Kelley when the officers discovered the car abandoned in the vicinity of his home, which they did before he, Weaver, had the opportunity to remove it. WEAVER stated that he then fled to St. Paul, Minnesota, and was of the opinion at that time that his parole had been revoked and he was wanted by the Oklahoma state authorities as parole violator. He stated at this time he made up his mind that he would not be returned to complete his sentence in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary and began to carry firearms to prevent this, and that he continued to go armed at all times until he purchased his place near Harbor Oaks, Florida in November, 1934, at which place he was subsequently arrested by Bureau Agents.

WEAVER stated that after coming to St. Paul he was arrested in the summer of 1932 for carrying a concealed weapon and it was for this offense that his parole was revoked. He stated had he known prior to that time that he could have returned to Arkansas without fear of apprehension, he would not have become involved in further difficulties.

WEAVER volunteered the information to Special Agent Sullivan during the course of the trip from Jacksonville, Fla., to St. Paul, Minnesota, that after his arrest at St. Paul, Minnesota on the gun charge, Adolph Bremer was instrumental in obtaining his release on bond. WEAVER was questioned as to the manner in which this bond was arranged but he refused to disclose the identity of the person through whom negotiations were had with Adolph Bremer for the placing of this bond, which was later forfeited.

With few exceptions WEAVER without hesitancy admitted his association with various members of the KARPIS-BARKER mob. WEAVER stated that prior to his incarceration in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary he worked around the various oil fields in the vicinity of Sapulpa, Tulsa, and Drumright, Oklahoma, and that during this time he first met Subject HARRY CAMPBELL. He further admitted knowing FRED BARKER and ALVIN KARPIS prior to the time he was incarcerated in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. WEAVER would not discuss in detail how he first became acquainted

with these individuals. He stated that of the entire gang he was best acquainted with DOC BARKER as he served time with him in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. He also stated he served time with VOLNEY DAVIS in the same institution.

He stated that after arriving in St. Paul he became acquainted with HARRY SAWYER who operated a saloon on Wabasha Street and it was at this place that he met such individuals as Verne Miller, Tom Filbin, Eddie Green, Pat Reilley, Homer Van Meter, Lester Gillis, and Larry Duval. He stated that he had known Frank Nash before Nash became acquainted with the notorious Al Spencer gang.

Photographs which were introduced into evidence in the previous trial held in St. Paul in this case were shown to WEAVER, namely Government exhibit #56, photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL; Government Exhibit #116, photograph of OLLIE BERG; Government Exhibit #55, photograph of WILLIAM J. HARRISON; Government Exhibit #57, photograph of HARRY SAWYER; Government Exhibit #52, photograph of VOLNEY DAVIS; Government Exhibit #59, photograph of FRED BARKER; Government Exhibit #53, photograph of RUSSELL GIBSON; Government Exhibit #60, photograph of DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN; Government Exhibit #58, photograph of ALVIN KARPIS, and he admitted that he was acquainted with all these various individuals under those names.

He was also shown Government exhibit #112 and 117 of GEORGE GOETZ and he stated that he did not know this individual. However, subsequently WEAVER admitted to Special Agents Sullivan and Suran that he did know FRED GOETZ and to the best of his knowledge he first met GOETZ in St. Paul, Minnesota at HARRY SAWYER'S saloon, and had seen him thereafter on several occasions at various night clubs. Prior to this admission WEAVER advised Special Agent Sullivan that it was his opinion that GOETZ had been killed by members of the Capone Syndicate at Cicero, Illinois, in March 1934 because GOETZ had insisted on erecting a gas station contrary to the wishes of the Syndicate. Upon questioning he stated that he was absolutely certain that neither DOC BARKER nor WILLIAM J. HARRISON who are reported to have been with GOETZ a few minutes before his death, had anything to do with GOETZ'S murder.

As to BYRON BOLTON, WEAVER insists that he never heard of this individual until he observed his name recently in

connection with this case in the various newspapers. Efforts were made to secure the address at which WEAVER lived just prior and at the time BREMER was kidnaped in St. Paul on Jan. 17, 1934. WEAVER admitted that he was living in St. Paul, Minn., on the date Bremer was kidnaped but claimed that he could not recall the address. He was asked if it was on Avon Street and he stated that it might have been but remarked "You fellows know so why ask me".

He stated that MYRTLE EATON had maintained an apartment on Portland Avenue, the exact address of which he did not recall, for a period of about five years prior to the time that BREMER was kidnaped, and that on one occasion he stole the key to this apartment from MYRTLE EATON and had a duplicate made thereof and that during the many periods of time that MYRTLE EATON was away from St. Paul, he used her apartment for the purposes of entertaining various members of the gang. However, he refused to disclose the identity of the individuals he entertained there from time to time but intimated that it was members of the KARPIS - BARKER mob.

In connection with MYRTLE EATON, WEAVER stated that he first met her in St. Paul through DOC EATON shortly after his arrival in St. Paul during the latter part of 1931.

WEAVER was further questioned concerning his residence at Grand Forest Beach near Sandusky, Ohio during the spring and summer of 1934. WEAVER stated that prior to the time that he and MYRTLE EATON rented a cottage at Grand Forest Beach they lived in an apartment at Toledo, Ohio, the address of which he did not know. He did state, however, that while living at Grand Forest Beach various members of the mob visited him, including JIMMIE WILSON, OLLIE BERG, SLIM GIBSON, HARRY AND GLADYS SAWYER, but he refused to discuss details of these visits or the identity of the other members of the mob who were living at Grand Forest Beach, Toledo, and Cleveland, Ohio, at that time, merely remarking "You all know more about that than I do".

In discussing HARRY SAWYER'S connection with this case, WEAVER stated that HARRY SAWYER had nothing to do with it, and remarked "We did not need anyone to finger Bremer for us. Everybody knew Ed. Bremer". He denied that he had received any of the ransom money paid in connection with this case, but WEAVER never at any time made a flat denial that he had no connection whatever with the kidnaping.

WEAVER was also shown Government Exhibits Nos. 34, 37, 30, 21, and 33, which are photographs of the hide-out house in Bensenville, Illinois. He looked carefully at the photographs and observed them without making comment. He also observed Government Exhibit #74, which is a photograph of the gasoline cans found near Portage, Wisconsin, and he likewise observed that photograph without comment. WEAVER denied that he had seen or had any information concerning the whereabouts of HARRY CAMPBELL and ALVIN KARPIS since August 1934 when they were residing at Cleveland, Ohio.

WEAVER also contends that MYRTLE EATON is merely being "pushed" around and that she is absolutely innocent of participating in the kidnaping; that the only crime she is guilty of is associating with him. WEAVER denied participating in the McCord shooting at St. Paul, Minnesota in January, 1934, and likewise denied participation in the robbery of the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis, and denied that he had robbed any banks since his release from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary in 1931.

As to CHARLES J. FITZGERALD, WEAVER stated that he knew this individual as "Chuck" and that he had heard that Chuck, who was suffering from tuberculosis of the bones, worried considerably over the condition of his health and committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. He stated that he did not know definitely where this was supposed to have taken place or when it was, but understood it was during the past year. He was questioned further as to his source of information but he refused to disclose same, merely stating that he "had heard it" and he did not know whether it was true.

WEAVER furnished further information that prior to the time Ed. G. Bremer was kidnaped in January, 1934, that two other mobs from Chicago came to St. Paul for the purpose of kidnaping Bremer and one mob went so far as to proceed to Bremer's home, in front of which they engaged in an argument among themselves as to whether to enter Bremer's home and take him out or wait until he left the house, and it was at this point the plan was abandoned. WEAVER stated that the leader of this mob is now dead and he was asked if the man was "Big Homer". He stated that he knew "Big Homer" and knew that Homer had a mob of his own in Chicago, Illinois; that he further knew Homer was dead, but he refused to state whether this was the individual to whom he referred, remarking that he would probably tell an Agent of the Bureau all about it at a

subsequent date. WEAVER has made this latter remark on several occasions concerning the BREMER kidnaping, stating that the true facts of the kidnaping have not yet come to light. From the various conversations had with WEAVER, it is apparent that he does not intend to make any statements which he thinks would incriminate himself prior to his trial in this case, but as indicated at a subsequent date he will furnish information to the Government. Interview with WEAVER will be continued and it is believed eventually valuable information will be secured from him.

MYRTLE EATON during various interviews had with her advised Special Agent Sullivan that she was born and raised at Des Moines, Iowa; that when she was 17 years old she married a man named FRED ROWLES and left him after living with him about a year. During the year 1919 MYRTLE EATON began living with DOC EATON who was then engaged in bootlegging. EATON ran liquor into Des Moines, Iowa from Chicago, Illinois, and St. Paul, Minnesota. In the year 1926 EATON was sentenced to the Minnesota State Penitentiary for bank robbery. Shortly thereafter, according to MYRTLE EATON, she came to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she was employed by HARRY SAWYER in selling liquor. During this time MYRTLE EATON stayed with Gladys and Harry Sawyer.

In the year 1931 EATON was released from the penitentiary, whereupon MYRTLE EATON went back to Des Moines and again began living with him. During the time that DOC EATON was incarcerated in the penitentiary, his brother "Candy" Eaton, became the most prominent bootlegger and rum-runner in and about Des Moines, Iowa. Upon DOC'S return to Des Moines, they decided to organize a liquor syndicate, whereby they would get a cut on all liquor runs into Des Moines, Iowa. MYRTLE EATON stated that several rival bootleggers and run-runners thereupon organized, and as a result thereof DOC EATON'S residence was raided and he was told by the local police department to get out of town. MYRTLE EATON thereupon left DOC EATON and returned to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she met BILL WEAVER.

She stated that she has lived with BILL WEAVER while he was in St. Paul since that time up until the time she was arrested at Harbor Oaks, Florida. However, she stated that she always maintained an apartment of her own at 565 Portland Avenue.

MYRTLE EATON stated that in the year 1920 or thereabout she became engaged in the profession of a shoplifter and since that time has carried on almost continuously as a shoplifter, traveling in a circle bounded on the west by North and South Dakota, on the south by Texas, and on the east by St. Paul; that ordinarily on these shoplifting expeditions she is accompanied by one or two other shoplifters.

She was shown photographs which had been received in evidence in the trial of DOC BARKER and others during the spring of this year and identified Exhibit #56, photograph of HARRY CAMPBELL, #55, photograph of WILLIAM J. HARRISON, #59, photograph of FRED BARKER, #58, photograph of ALVIN KARPIS, #52, photograph of VOLNEY DAVIS, and #57, photograph of HARRY SAWYER. She stated that Exhibit #53, photograph of RUSSELL GIBSON was a likeness of someone she felt certain she had seen somewhere but could not recall the place. She likewise identified photograph in the St. Paul Office files bearing Police Department #11906 of ARTHUR R. BARKER, photographs Exhibit Numbers 21, 34, 30, 37, 33, and 74 of hideout at Bensenville, and gasoline cans recovered near Portage, Wis., were not identified by her. She was likewise shown photographs of OLLIE BERG and GEORGE GOETZ which she failed to identify.

She stated that she was well acquainted with DOC BARKER; had seen FRED BARKER on only a few occasions. She was questioned closely as to her acquaintanceship with BYRON BOLTON and FRED GOETZ, but maintained she had never seen or met these men in her life.

MYRTLE EATON stated that she did not take any part in the BREMER kidnaping or subsequently thereto in the exchange of the ransom money or the handling thereof. She advised that in the early part of January in 1934 she took a trip to Texas and Oklahoma for the purpose of shoplifting in the company of two other women whose identities she would not disclose. She stated that she was either at Oklahoma City or Fort Worth, Texas, when she first read of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer. She advised that one of the two women accompanying her was facing a five year sentence in case she was apprehended.

MYRTLE EATON stated that they returned to St. Paul probably during the early part of February before Bremer had been

released; that she stayed at her apartment on Portland Avenue for two or three days, after which time she met BILL WEAVER alone. She was then questioned closely but denied that she saw KARPIS, CAMPBELL or any of the other persons implicated in this case. Thereafter, according to MYRTLE EATON, she and BILL WEAVER obtained an apartment in Chicago, Illinois, but denied that FRED BARKER or PAULA HARMON lived with her during this time.

In either March or April, 1934, according to MYRTLE EATON, she and BILL WEAVER moved to Aurora, Illinois, where EDNA MURRAY and VOLNEY DAVIS were already residing. She stated that EDNA MURRAY and herself frequently went horseback riding at the Riding Academy located at Montgomery, Illinois. She denied having any information concerning the burial of John Hamilton near this place, who it was noted was buried within 100 yards of the above mentioned academy's exercise grounds. Later she and WEAVER moved to Grand Forest Beach near Sandusky, Ohio.

She denied knowing where other members of the gang resided but stated that some of the mob moved in to the Grand Forest Beach near their residence, whereupon BILL WEAVER and herself decided to move out. They went to the state of Maine for the purpose of locating a house where they could settle down. Failing to succeed they proceeded to Florida where they located the cottage in which they were living at the time they were arrested by Bureau Agents. MYRTLE EATON stated she purchased this cottage out of her own money.

She stated that she did not know that WEAVER and herself had been indicted until she read in the Daytona Beach and Jacksonville, Florida newspapers, during the trial of DOC BARKER and other defendants in the spring of this year. She stated that subsequently thereto she saw WEAVER'S picture in the lineup on the first few pages of a detective story magazine. Subsequently MYRTLE EATON showed Agent a picture of WEAVER apparently clipped from the Master Detective Magazine, issue unknown, which she stated was the first picture she had seen of WEAVER indicating that he was a fugitive on a Federal charge.

She stated that she and WEAVER first heard of the death of FRED BARKER and his mother at Oklawaha, Florida, in the Daytona Beach newspaper the same afternoon upon which they

died, and subsequently thereto in the Jacksonville newspaper the following morning. MYRTLE EATON stated that both of these newspapers were delivered to their home at Harbor Oaks, Florida, daily. She stated that since she and BILL WEAVER left Grand Forest Beach they have not been in touch with other members of the gang; that until she read of the newspaper account of FRED and "Ma" BARKER'S death, they did not know that the Barkers were living in Florida.

Just During the conversation with MYRTLE EATON on the night of February 2, 1935, she advised Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and R. C. Suran that she did not think the photograph appearing on the Identification Order #1238 was very good of WILLIAM WEAVER and at this time she remarked that she had seen a good photograph of WEAVER in a Detective Magazine which she believed to be the Startling Detective Magazine, which magazine published the photograph of WILLIAM WEAVER and herself, and was a story of the BREMER kidnaping case, indicating that WEAVER was a Fugitive on that charge. She further stated that this same issue of the magazine published a photograph of VOLNEY DAVIS, smiling and reading a book, which photograph apparently was taken subsequent to his apprehension in Chicago in June, 1935; that this same magazine also carried a photograph of ALVIN KARPIS dressed in woman's clothing.

Because WILLIAM WEAVER has indicated that he possibly may state that MYRTLE EATON lived with him only because he threatened her, and kept her in fear in case she left him, MYRTLE EATON was questioned at length on this point. She stated that at no time during acquaintanceship with members of the KARPIS-BARKER gang had anyone ever injured her; that BILL WEAVER had been very good to her; that he was easy to get along with and when questioned as to her reason for living with him, knowing that he was a badly wanted Fugitive, who might resist if an effort was made to arrest him, she stated that she had no reason other than she wanted to be with him.

MYRTLE EATON stated that she has known Edward George Bremer for several years; that she has done business at his bank. She was questioned concerning the Hamm kidnaping case, but denied having any knowledge concerning perpetrators thereof other than advising that Agent must certainly know that the TOUHY mob was responsible for this kidnaping, inasmuch as they had been tried.

On August 12, 1935, a telephone tap was installed on the telephone of O. R. NEUENFELDT, Route 1, Mankato, Minnesota, which place is the residence of BELLE BORN. The Telephone number tapped at this place is 34402. The results obtained from this tap from August 12 to 15, 1935, were reported by Special Agent F. G. Tillman, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated August 16, 1935. Special Agents M. V. Kirkland and R. C. Suran from that date continued covering the tap, the instruments which are located at 123 North 4th St. Mankato, Minnesota.

Special Agents G. A. Paulson and Robert Tonis arranged

[REDACTED] Special Agent Paulson placed an extension on the telephone installed [REDACTED] which extended to a wooded area on a hillside [REDACTED] and from which place observation could be had of the activities at the home of BELLE BORN by use of field glasses.

These Agents upon observing any cars entering or leaving the home of BELLE BORN would immediately communicate by telephone to Special Agents R. C. Suran and M. V. Kirkland in the Apartment at Mankato. Either Special Agent Suran or Kirkland would then proceed by automobile from Mankato to the vicinity of the Born home and maintain a surveillance of the various individuals who entered and left that place. The highways were also patrolled during the night by Special Agents Kirkland and Suran, while either Special Agent Paulson or Tonis covered the telephone tap in the apartment at Mankato, Minnesota. Also at various times Special Agents Suran and Paulson when the darkness of the night permitted it, entered on the premises of Belle Born in an effort to observe the occupants of the house.

In covering the activities of Belle Born in this fashion it was learned that BELLE BORN is presently leading the life of a normal law-abiding citizen and nothing has been observed which would cause Agents to believe that any of the Fugitives in this case were contacting Belle Born either at her home near Mankato, Minnesota, or at her farm near St. Peter, Minnesota.

It has been learned that BELLE BORN frequently visits a place known as the Travelers Inn in North Mankato, Minn., where she contacts an individual who has been learned to be one JOE JUNG who only recently came to Mankato from St. Paul, Minnesota. Recent press reports have reported a JOE JUNG being involved in the recent investigation of the Police Department at St. Paul, Minnesota, in which it is alleged various police officers were conniving with the gamblers of St. Paul, Minn.

BELLE BORN also occasionally frequents a tavern known as the Square Deal Cafe at Mankato, Minnesota, and according to Sheriff Cords at Mankato, Minnesota, BELLE BORN is friendly with the bartender at that place whose last name is COOPER. Almost daily BELLE BORN was trailed from her home at Mankato, Minnesota, to the home of her brother O. R. ANDERSON, Route 2, St. Peter, Minnesota. According to the information previously obtained from Sheriff Cords and from the various conversations overheard on the telephone, this farm is the property of BELLE BORN. Through the telephone conversations overheard, the occupants of the BORN home near Mankato, Minnesota, are O. R. NEUENFELDT and his wife, who is known as "Aunt Mayme". A woman is apparently employed by the Neuenfeldt's as a domestic by the name of Lula Kenyon. The Neuenfeldt's and Belle Born are very friendly with a family who reside near the Born home by the name of PEARSON and their daughter, Mrs. Ruth Williams, whose husband is known as Buck Williams.

On one occasion BELLE BORN frequented a roadhouse on Highway #14, which is north of North Mankato, Minnesota, and is known as the "Apple Orchard".

A complete log of all telephone calls which have been made to and emanated from the telephone in the Born home has been maintained and is on file in the St. Paul Bureau Office, and inasmuch as to date nothing therein has appeared which would be of assistance in locating the fugitives of this case, the log is not being set forth in this report.

Nothing has been heard over the telephone lines which would indicate that BELLE BORN contemplates leaving Mankato at an early date. [REDACTED] had occasion to attend a picnic, at which time BELLE BORN'S brother, O. R. ANDERSON was also there. [REDACTED] advised Agent Paulson

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that he learned from conversation with Anderson that BELLE BORN was arranging an auction sale to be held Sept. 25, 1935, at her farm near St. Peter, Minnesota; that ANDERSON had advised him that BELLE BORN claimed she was making no money by the present arrangement and that if it was necessary that she, BELLE BORN, support ANDERSON, she was going to get him a small place near Mankato, Minnesota, and permit him to raise chickens; that the farm implements would be sold by auction on the farm and the farm rented out. From this it appears that BELLE BORN intends to stay at Mankato, Minnesota at least until September 25, 1935, and the conversation had between ANDERSON and [REDACTED] is corroborated by the various telephone conversations overheard, in that Mrs. Neuenfeldt communicated with various real estate agencies in an effort to rent a small house on the outskirts of Mankato, stating that she was not getting the place for herself but another party.

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It was necessary that Special Agent R. C. Suran return to St. Paul on September 2, 1935, and Special Agent F. G. Tillman continued the covering of the tap with Special Agent Kirkland at Mankato, Minnesota. Special Agent Kirkland was relieved at that place by Special Agent S. M. Wolfe, 9/5/35, and these Agents are presently covering the situation at that place, while Special Agents Paulson and Tonis are continuing surveillance from the [REDACTED]

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Division of Investigation.

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

September 7, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N. W.
Washington - D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE
I. O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are transmitted herewith copies of a letter written by Wynona Burdette, who is presently confined in the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, to Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Arondale, Okla., Box 41; also copies of letters written by Dolores DeLaney, confined at the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, to Mr. Robert DeLaney, 6045 Kimbark Ave., Chicago, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, 2842 No. Francisco Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Copies of these letters are also being forwarded to the offices listed below.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Nicholson

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Special Agent in Charge

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August 22, 1935

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Karpis:

I received your letter a few days ago and was so terribly happy to get it and those pictures. They are the sweetest things and Raymond looks so fat and cute. I was tickled to get the pictures of you two, Emily and Betty, Jane, too. Isn't that girl holding the baby in the picture with Mrs. Karpis, Emily? She looks just as I imagined her and resembles Alvin immensely. I had been wishing for pictures of all of you but hesitated to ask because I didn't know whether you would want me to have them. I've looked at them every night and morning since I got them and thanked God that there were such generous and good people. Everyone said that Ray looked like me in those pictures but I think he looks more like his daddy, don't you? Are his hands and feet really as large as they look in pictures? I hope so 'cause that shows he's going to be a big husky boy when he grows up. All the girls said he must be getting wonderful care - he looks so happy and contented. I told them all I knew he was because even in the pictures I could tell by your faces how much you loved him. Mrs. Karpis, you looked so proud of him, in that picture of you and him alone, and he seemed to know. His little chest was pushed out just as far as he could get it and his head was 'way up in the air.

Your letter and my mother's are the only one's I've had so far this month but I am expecting one from my brother anyday now. Mother told me in her letter how badly she wanted to go and see Raymond but her health isn't at all what it should be and everytime she plans on going she gets so nervous and excited that she makes herself ill. Her heart is weak and she just got over a nervous break-down so any excitement is apt to make her really sick. When I think that something might happen to her before I get out of her it almost kills me. I just couldn't stand it. She means so much to me and I've done so little of what I want to do for her. Mother also told me that my other sister (Helen - we call her Babe) is now in Chicago. She has a little boy seven years old and she left him with mother. I guess she is going to look for work there. She will probably be up to see Raymond soon if she hasn't already been there. Her husband is in the penitentiary serving two years sentence and so she is rather unhappy and blue just now, but it won't be long till he will be out and things will be much brighter. He is in on practically the same charge as I am.

I am writing this letter a little early tho' I can't mail it until September. I wrote my August letter to you before I received yours because I wanted you to get it about the same time you got my clothes.

Has Raymond been christened yet? I hope so, I'd feel much better if I knew for sure. I'm going to write my sister and give her the very dickens for not helping you as she promised. I never did believe in saying I would do something and not doing it. That's a bad policy.

I have made frames for most of the pictures you have sent me and every inch of space that I can possibly set a picture on I have one. I made the frames out of sellophane. I have some of most every color now and expect to have more made soon.

My girl friend, Wynona, and I play cards most every night or listen to the radio. They are the only amusements we have and we can only listen to the radio when the matron will let us and sometimes that's not much. We aren't allowed newspapers so I never hear anything new. We did get permission from Mr. Ryan to stay up and listen to the Lewis-Lovinsky fight and I was terribly disappointed in it. It was about the shortest fight I ever heard of. Biff - bang - bang - you're out! - and that's all there was to it. I guess Lewis is a good fighter but I just hated to lose him. That's racial prejudice I guess and not exactly fair, but that's the way I feel.

How are all of you feeling? I hope you are all as well as I am today. This is the first day since I've been in here that I've really felt well in every way. I only hope I can continue so.

Two of the girls have birthdays today and we are all fixing up sort of a surprise party for them. I made a sewing box for one of them out of an old stocking box and it's really pretty. I have it covered with apple green and pink percale and the top is padded. I made a pin cushion for it and other things and I'm sure she'll like it.

August 25, 1935

Just received Emily's letter and was so happy to know that she was well and back at work. Eight weeks is such an awfully long time to spend lying in bed. I would love to see her but I would much rather she would get her coat so that she will not take cold this winter and get sick again. Maybe, as she says, she will be able to come later on.

I just can't understand Mrs. Thomas - It doesn't seem possible that any woman could be mean enough to take a baby's things and keep them, knowing the baby really needed them. As Emily says it's a shame to put someone in jail for stealing and then let others get by with something like that.

When Emily wrote that about wishing she had known me before all this happened and wanting to be friends when I get out I was so happy I didn't know whether to laugh or cry. Real friendships are such a grand thing and so hard to find. I am going to do my best to be a real one and show her how much I appreciate everything.

Everytime anyone has a birthday all the girls come to me to help them make birthday cards. I have three to make this evening and for some reason I can't think of a thing. I have a little knack for things like that, usually I draw different little pictures for the covers and make up bits of verse. Their not so terribly good - but still better than nothing. I've been thinking quite seriously of taking up sketching when I get out. I don't know whether there is any possibility of my really being any good but if there is even a slight chance I would work awfully hard. I'd like to be able to do something well and there doesn't seem to be anything else, I could do at all.

Well, I shall say goodbye for now and wait anxiously for your next letter.

Love to you all from

Dolores

Letter addressed to

Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz,
2842 No. Francisco Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

September 1, 1935

Dear Bud:

I had begun to believe I wasn't going to hear from you. I got your letter yesterday and 'cause it was the last day of the month I couldn't write to you for August so just for being so late, you miss one of my very interesting letters. Aren't you sorry? Better start getting your letters off earlier, won't you please? You know, Jean hasn't written to me since May. What in the world is wrong with her? She seems to have forgotten pretty quick what it's like to be in a joint. I don't suppose I should kick but, gee, a letter sure helps a lot. Ask her if she won't please write oftener.

Gee, honey, I do hope you can get up here. I would sure love to see you. Jean can't come and see me because she has served time and Mother is so far that I guess she can't afford it, so I guess it's up to you. Come just as soon as you can, won't you, huh? I can't wait to see if you have changed any since I saw you last. It's hard to tell from a picture whether you have or not. Have you?

Bud, where do you work and what kind of work do you do? I hope you are still getting into an office. Will you get paid while they are making the factory? I hope so. It's no fun going a couple of weeks with no money coming in.

What do you mean by saying I am chubby, fat or pleasingly plump? Whatever gave you that idea? I am highly insulted. I weight 109 lbs. Is that too much?

I said "hello" to Wynona and Pat for you. Was that what you wanted? They are both nice kids.

You will sure have to show me everything in Chicago when I get out. Everything will be so different by that time. I haven't been there since the last time I saw you and I've been so many places since then I get them all mixed up. Half the time I am trying to put Cleveland's Euclid Ave. in San Francisco and Van Ness St., From Frisco in Chicago. What a mess! I will probably be scared to death to walk across a street when I get out of here. If I ever get down on State and Lake Sts. again I'll probably faint.

Honey, do you mean to say any girl would throw my sweet brother over? I would sure like to see her. She probably wasn't the kind of a girl I would want you to have anyway. You go find yourself a nice, sweet girl (like me - ha, ha) and console yourself with her and forget about those other fickle kind.

I just can't picture you with a mustache. You really have grown up when you can grow one of those. What does Jean and Babe say about it? How is Babe and how come her to get up there in Chicago? When I got Mumsy's letter this month and she told me Babe had left I almost passed out.

What in the world is Mum living on?

Don't tell me the Nelson's really said to say "hello". Goodness, I didn't think they would ever want to have anything to do with me anymore. Well, they say truth is stranger than fiction and I hear and see things every day that really prove it. How is Kate? Has she got a steady boy friend? I wonder if she will ever get married. How does she look - much older than she used to? Is Giff going to support that bunch all of his life or is he going to get out and get a wife some day. I hate to see that kid tied to apron strings forever. Is Harry as "cute" as he used to be and has he grown since I saw him last? He was a good sized kid when I last saw him.

Listen, now, Buddy, if you're going to take the place of a daddy with "Little Ray" you had better pay more attention to him and go see him much oftener. When I heard from Mr. and Mrs. Karpis last they said neither you or Jean had been over there for quite some time. What's the matter, darling?

Listen, Bud, ask Babe if she heard about Leona's death. I guess she is better off now for five years in bed is no picnic but I always did hope she would get better. She was so young to go through so much.

Is Mugs planning on getting married anytime soon? Tell her to make up her mind and settle down to being a nice gossip housewife. Do you think she could ever do it?

I got some more pictures of Ray last month and they are the sweetest things you ever did see. I also have pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Karpis, Emily, Betty, Jane and their dog. I am so proud of all of them.

I have done everything I can trying to get the baby's things in Florida and Emily wrote and told me that Mrs. Thomas (she's the woman I rented from in Miami) has gone to California and either taken everything with her or sold them, and to think they put some people in jail for stealing and let others get by with something like that.

Well, Bud, will say goodbye for now and don't forget to write real soon. Love

Dolores

P.S. Tell Babe and Jean to write, too - please.

Write to Mumsy and tell her that you want her to come and live with you 'cause she has an idea that you don't want her. Chase that notion out of her head right quick, won't you.

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Tell Babe not to forget me and have her write me in either
Jean's or your letter. I sure do want to hear from her.

Love to you all from

Snooky

*Scuse my writing - I hurried to get it written before the lights go out

Nitie - nite - honey

Sweet dreams

Box 1000
Sept 1, 1935
Milan, Mich.

Beloved Sister and Family:

Honey, I was so happy to get your letter and to hear that you were coming to see me. I've been on needles and pins ever since I heard. I don't know how I'm ever going to live until you get here. Every day since then has seemed like a month. Hurry up - won't you, sweet?

Esther, the reason I am writing this letter so early in the month is so I can tell you not to bring Gwen with you. I want to see her so very much but I am sure that they wouldn't let her in to see me. You see the age limit is sixteen and she would be so disappointed if she came all the way up here and then couldn't get in. Bless her little heart. You might be able to get special permission from Wash. but the way things are here right now, I think it would be better if you didn't even try. I know Gwenie-doodle will feel hurt by this but, gee, kid, I just can't help it. You see in here, it's not what you want but what you get.

I didn't hear from Art last month and I missed his letter so much I wrote and asked him if there was anything wrong? I do hope he isn't sick or anything. I didn't hear from Millie either. Is she all right? I hope so but I worry terribly when I don't hear from all you kids every month, I imagine all sorts of things have happened.

Monday, Sept. 2, 1935

Darling, I am so blamed miserable. I can hardly write. I'm cutting a wisdom-tooth and it's been driving me goofy for about 2 wks., the whole right side of my face is twice as large as it should be. The dentist was up and looked at it and the doctor has been up about 4 or 5 times, but they can't do anything until the swelling goes down. You see it's abscessed. Well, honey, I'm going to close and answer your letter in person. I presume about the 20th, huh? or maybe sooner, so bye, bye, with lots and lots of love to all.

Your loving baby sis and auntie

Nonie B.

On Reverse side of second page of letter following was written:

Wrote with a pencil,
Blotted with tears,
Sealed with a kiss,
And sent to my dears

Loads and loads of love

Wynona B.

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